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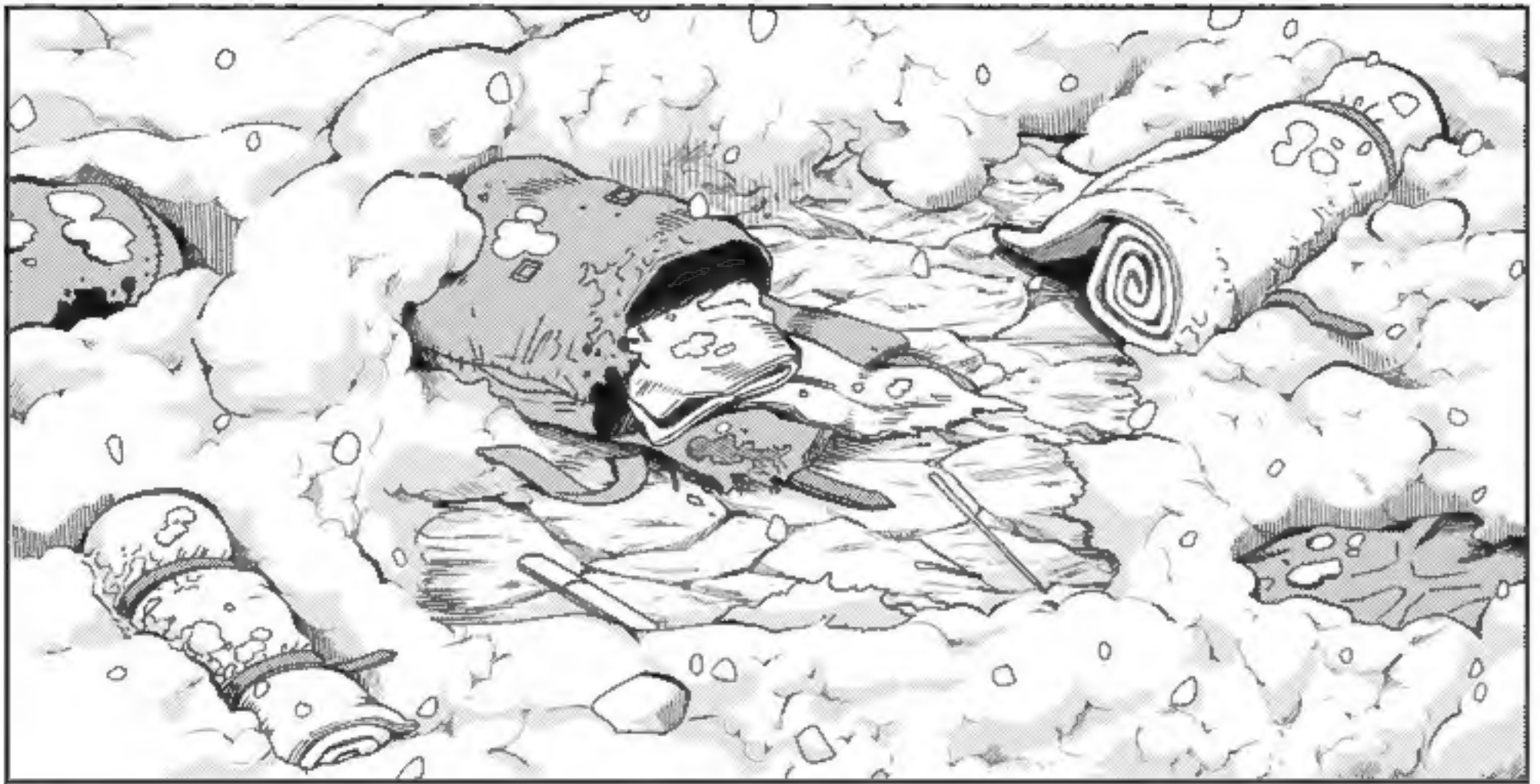
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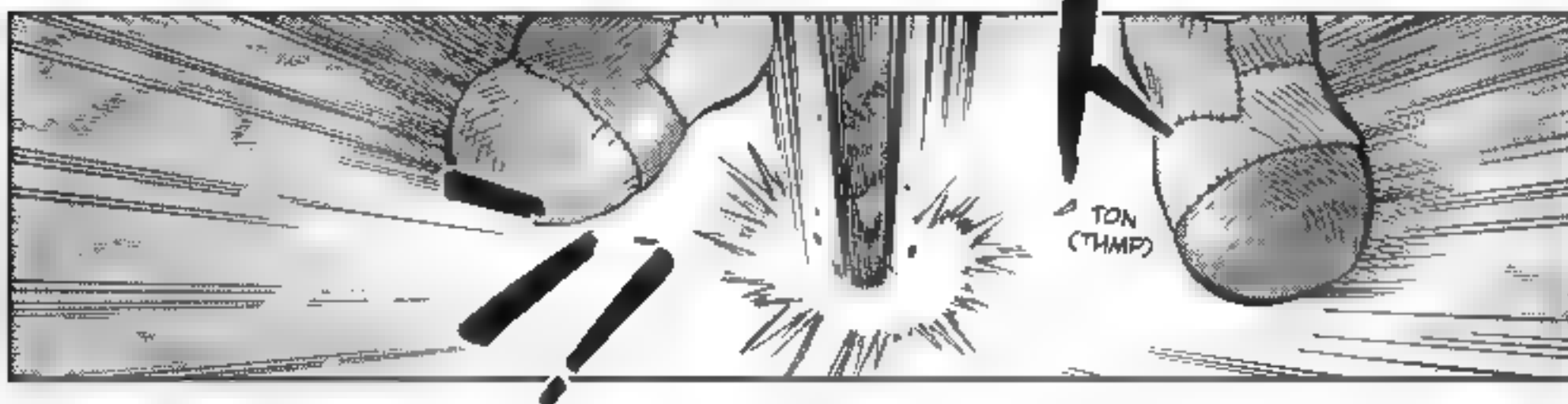


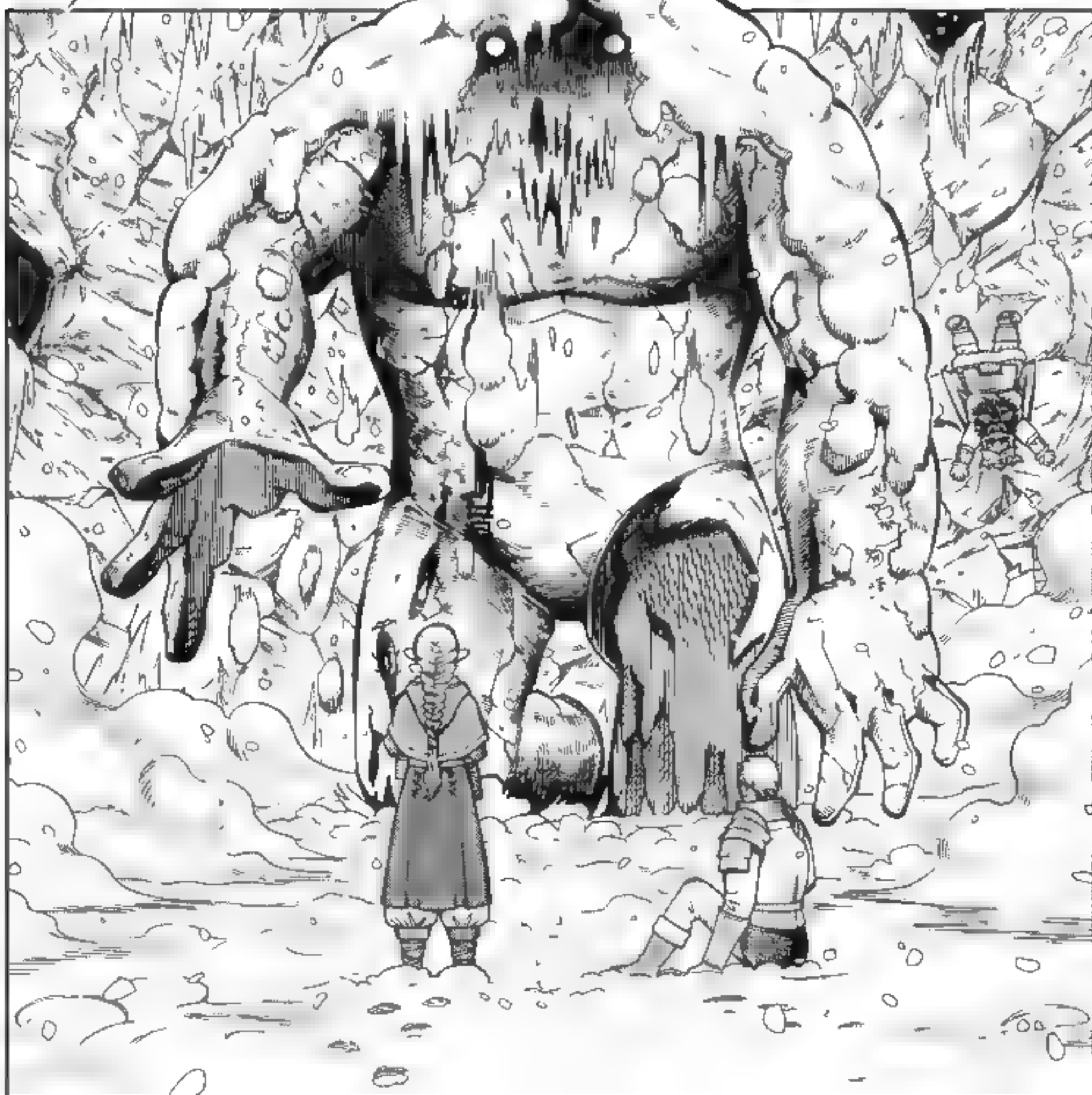


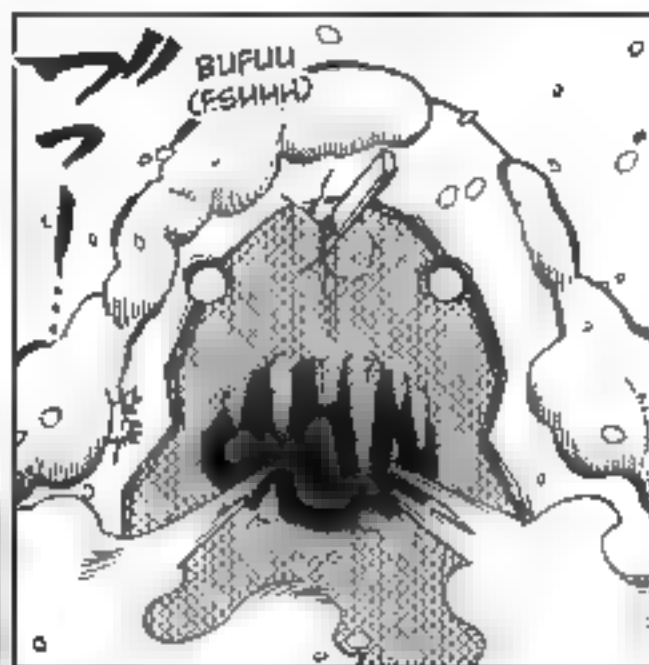






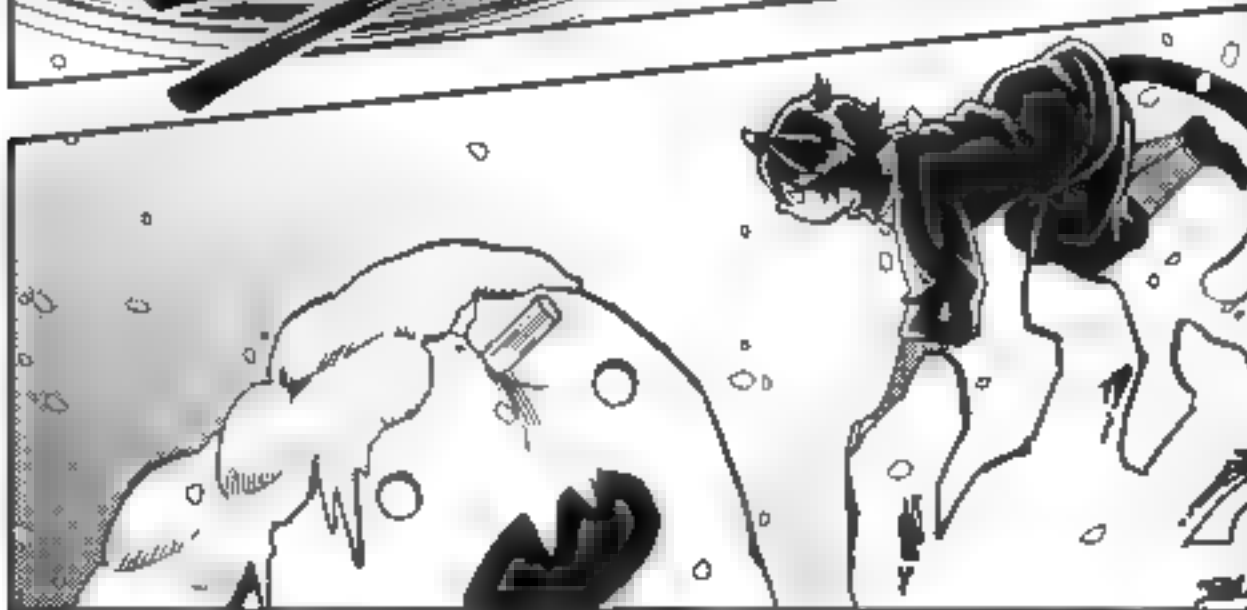








BLON
(FOOM)



CORE?

WHERE'S
THAT?



THE
CORE .
NO,
THAT'S
A FISH.

THERE'S
TOO
MUCH
STUFF IN
THERE.



WHERE'S
THE
CORE!?

STEP
IT
UP!

HANG
ON A
SEC-
OND!

HEY!



THAT
JERK'S
JUST
MAKING
STUFF
UP.

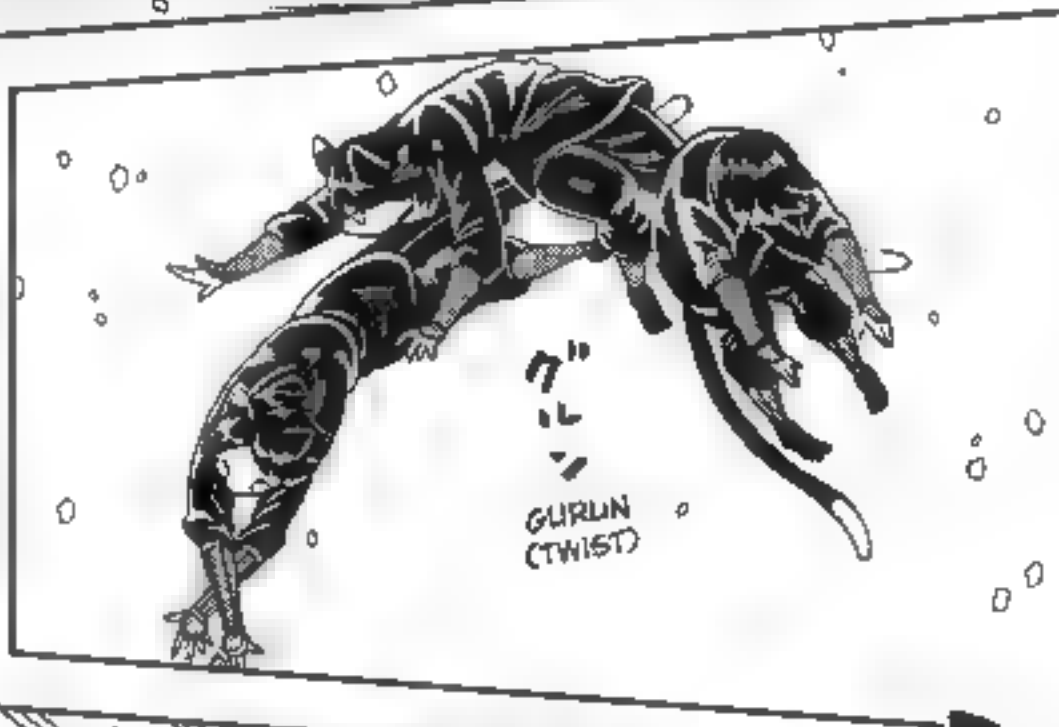
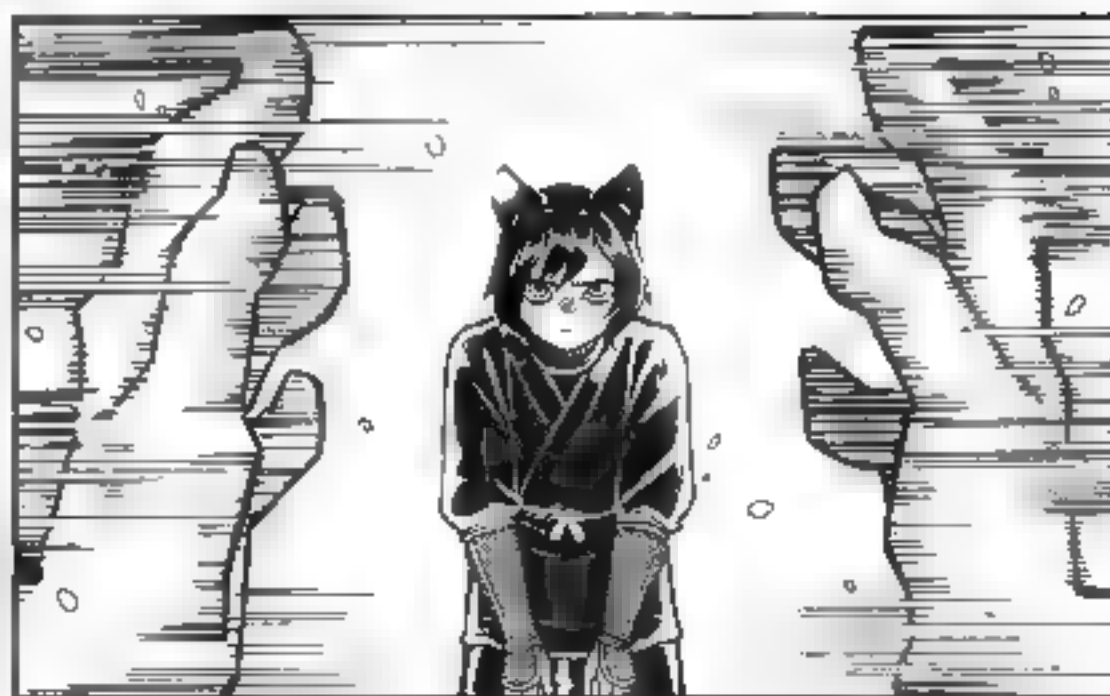
HE'D
BETTER
NOT BE
TRYING TO
SABOTAGE
ME.

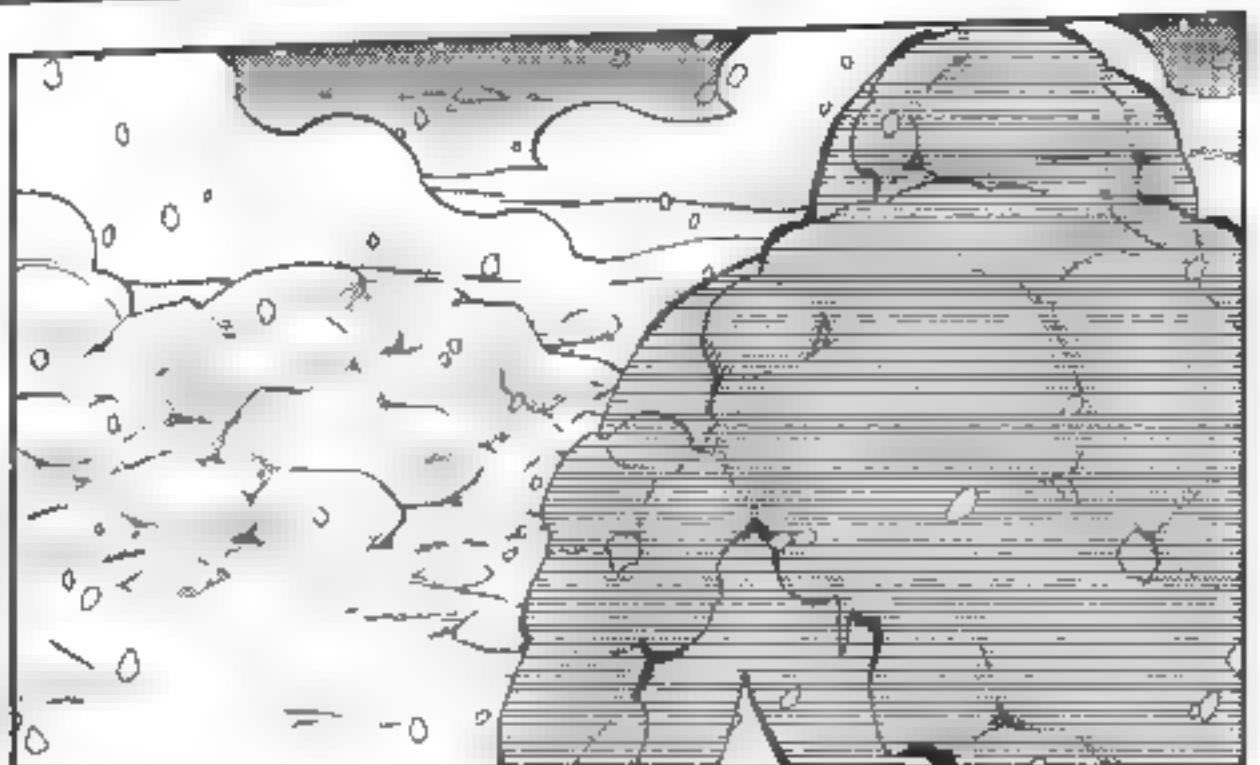
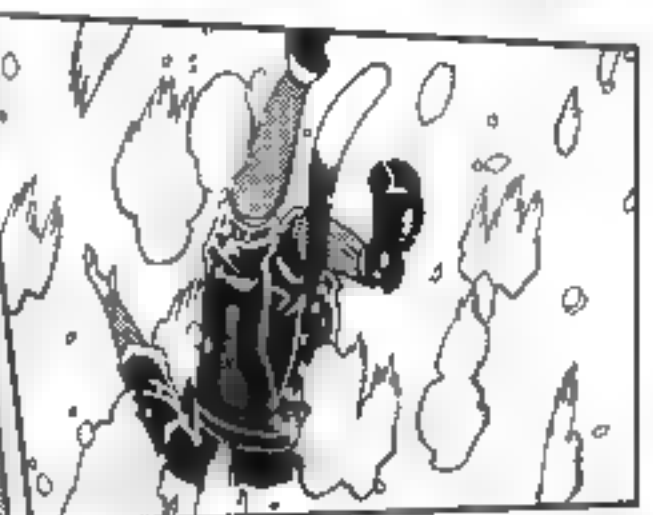
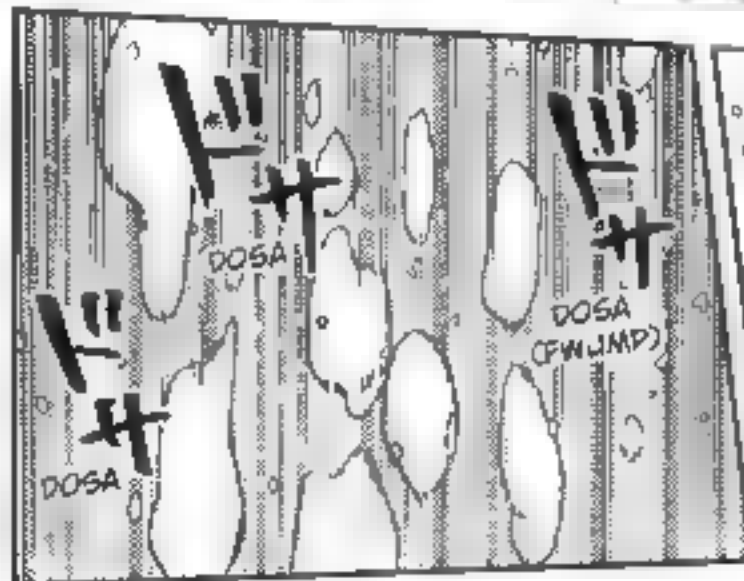


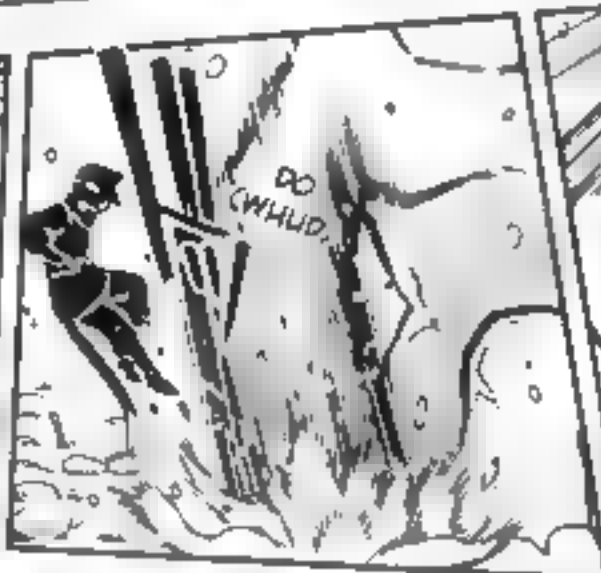
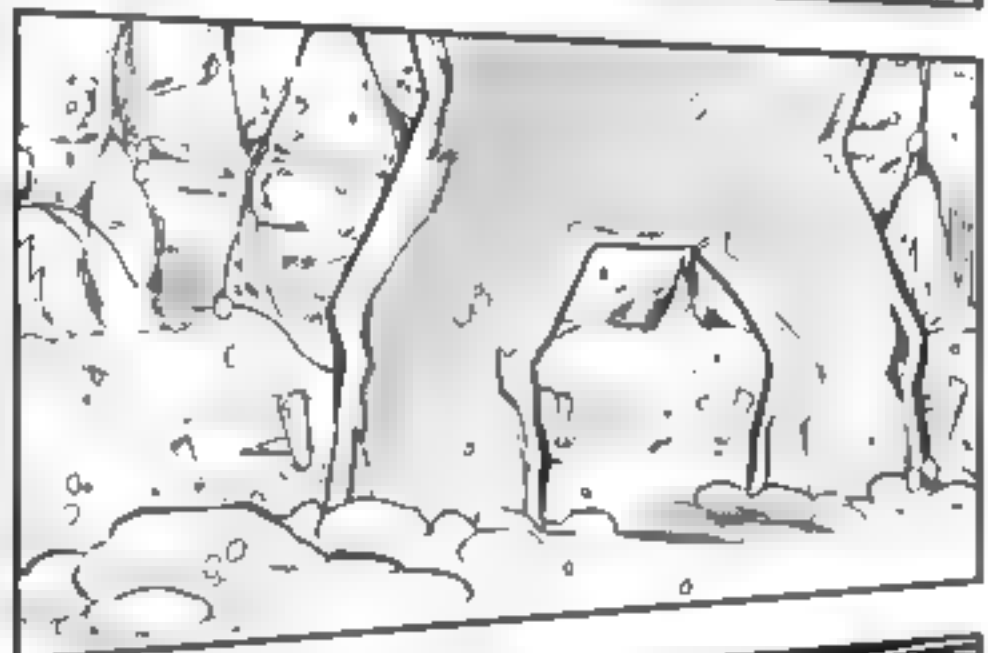
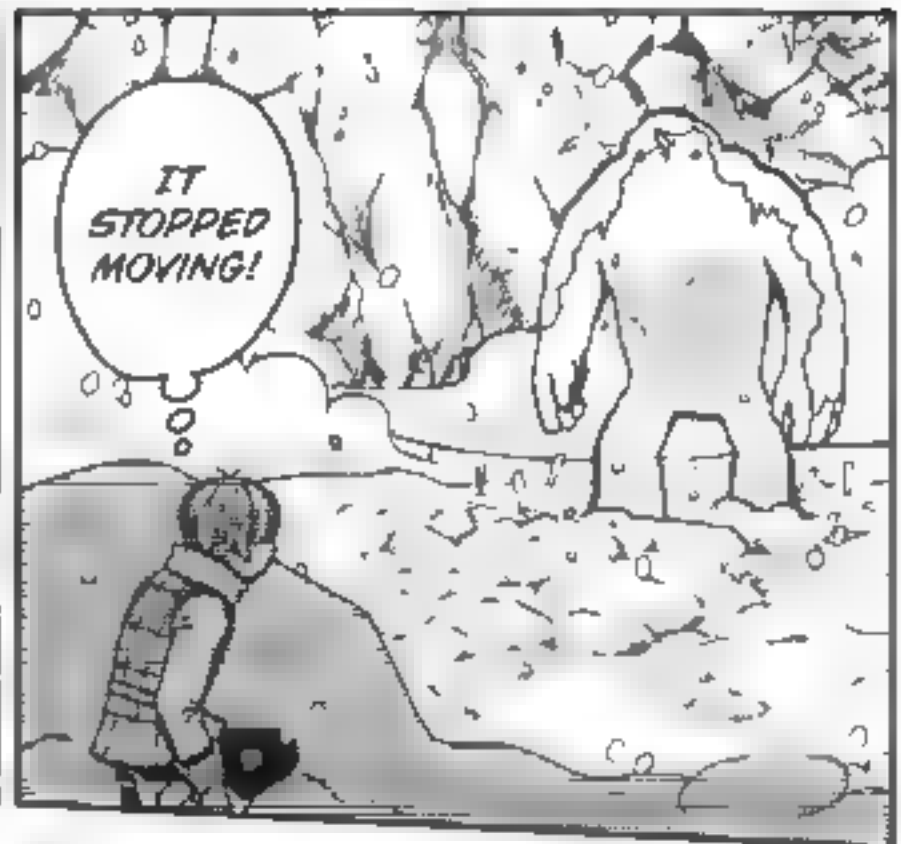
I CAN'T
TELL
WHERE
THE CORE
IS!

HUH
!?

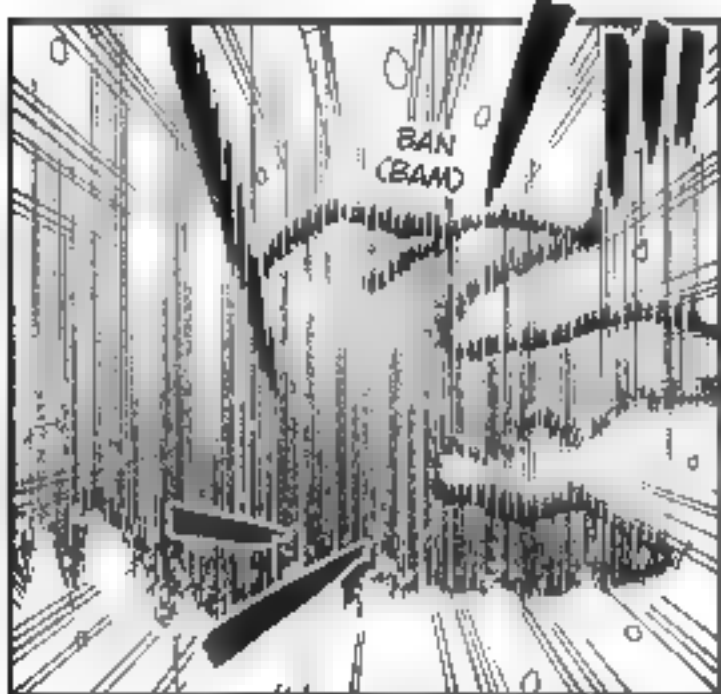
HEY!
HOLD
THE
ENEMY'S
ATTEN-
TION AND
BUY ME
SOME
TIME!

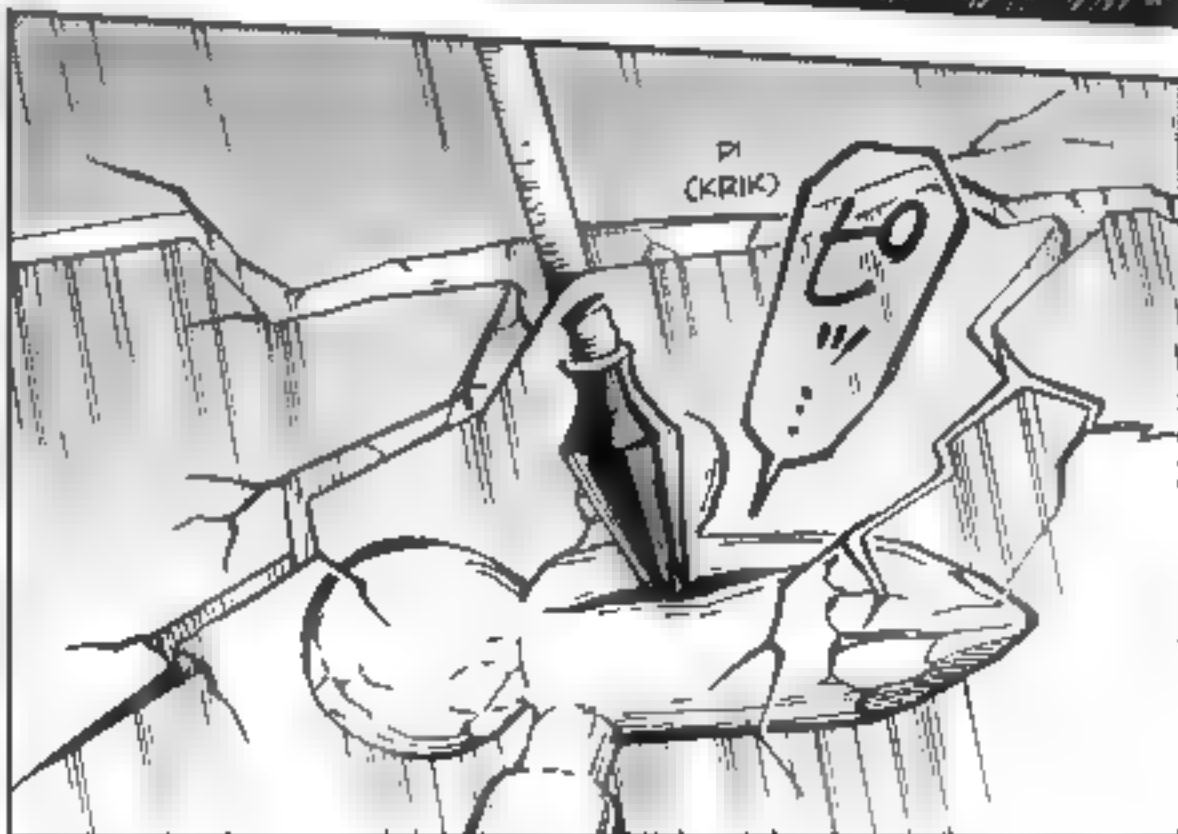
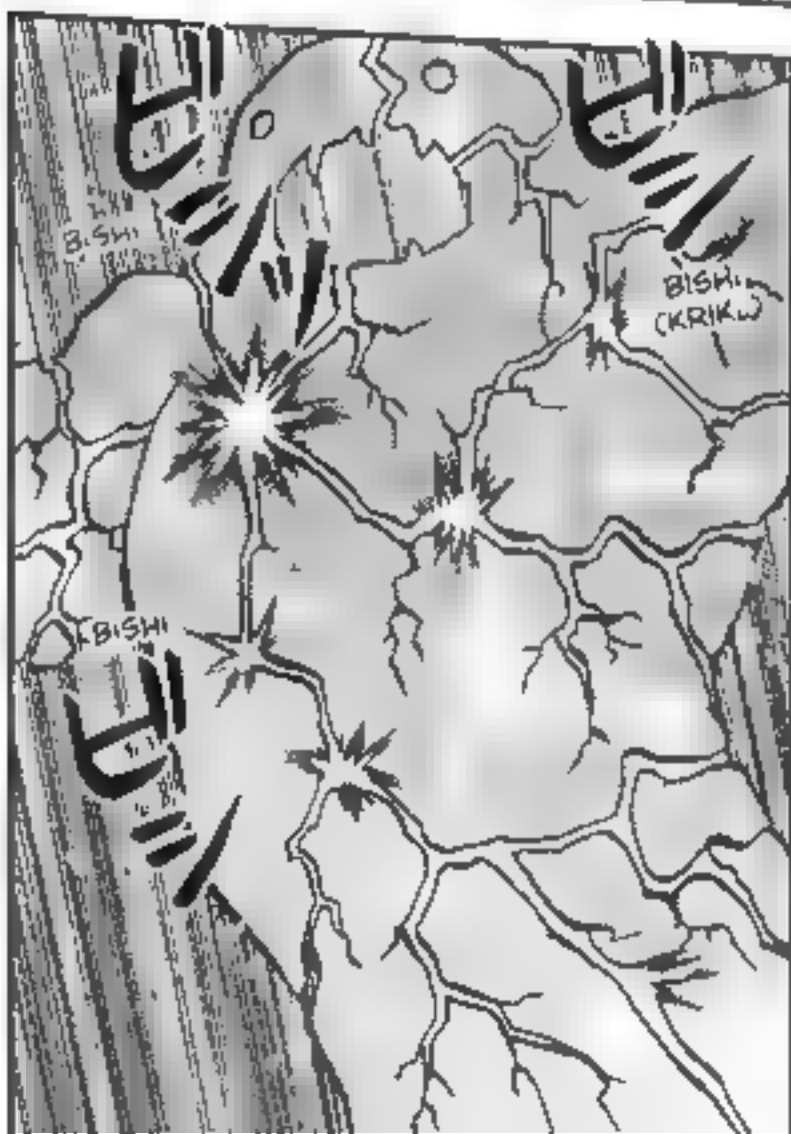
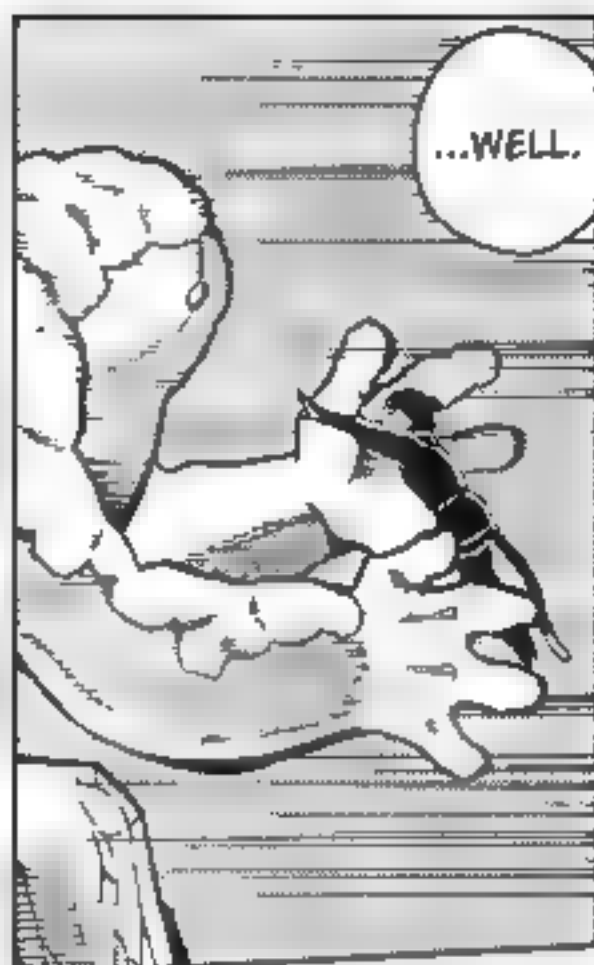


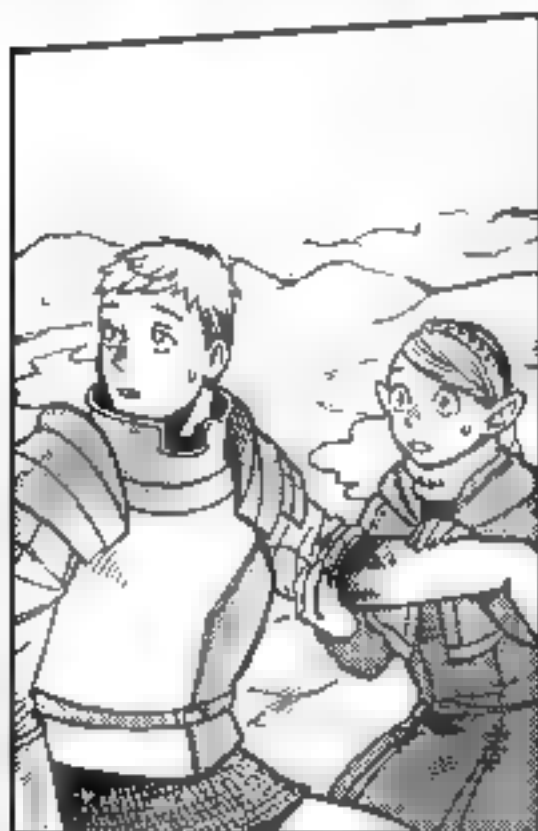








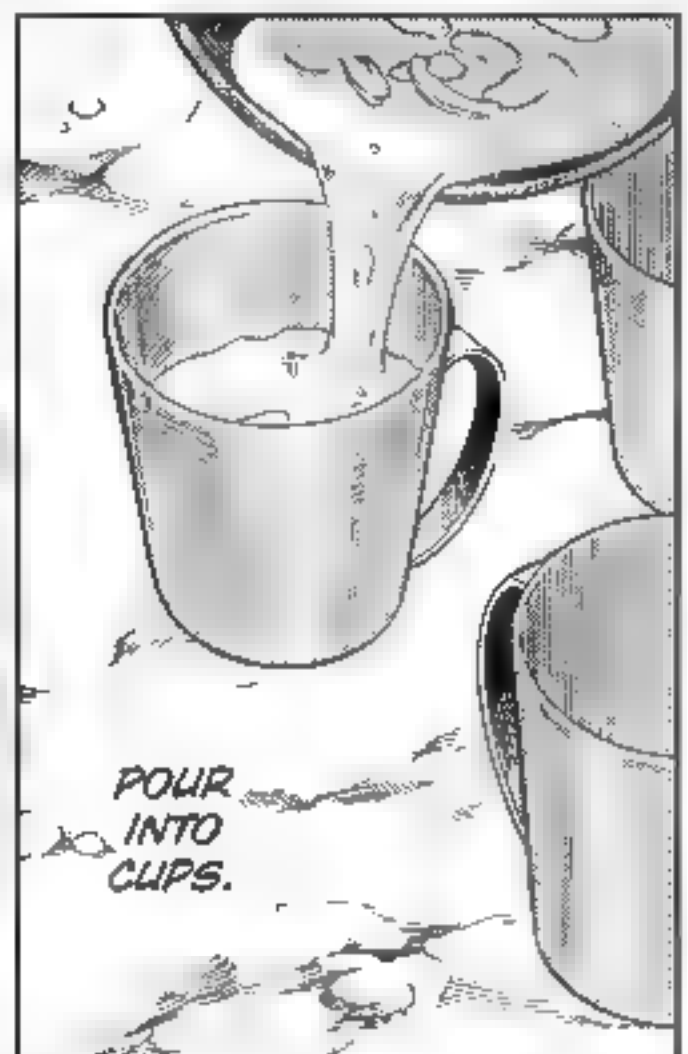








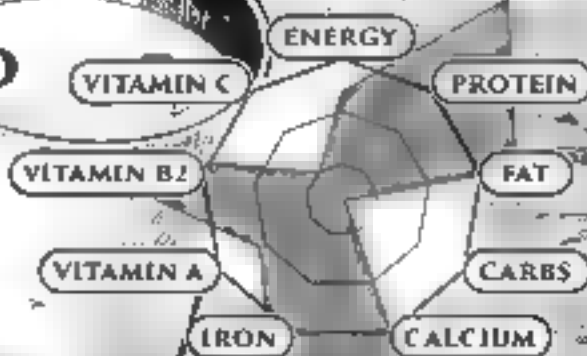




ICE GOLEM SAVORY EGG CUSTARD AND COOKED FISH (FROM IN THE GOLEM)

Ingredients

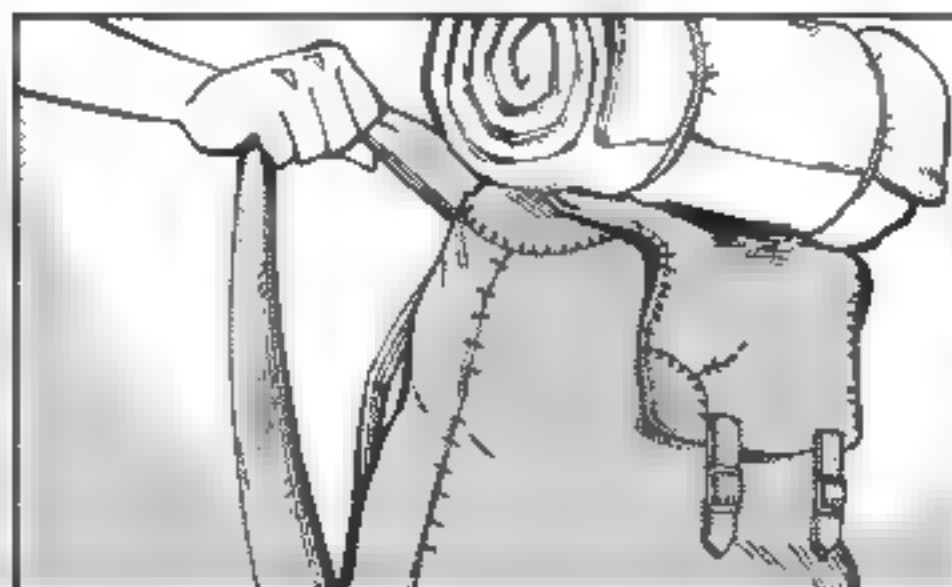
Ice golem fragments	As needed
Harpy egg	1
Broth	450 ml
Soy Sauce	1 tbsp
Salt	A pinch
Nightmares	2
Mandrake leaves	1 bunch
Mushroom (not identified)	1
Shapeshifter meat	50 g

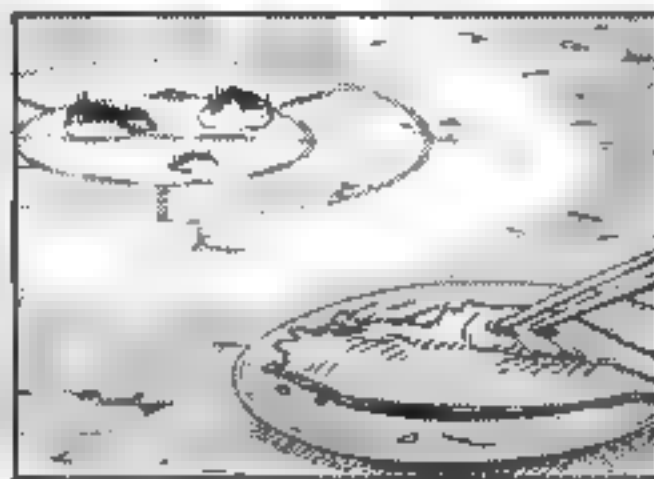


Ingredients

Ice golem fragments	As needed
Fish (not identified)	1
Butter	1/2 tbsp.
Salt and pepper	A pinch



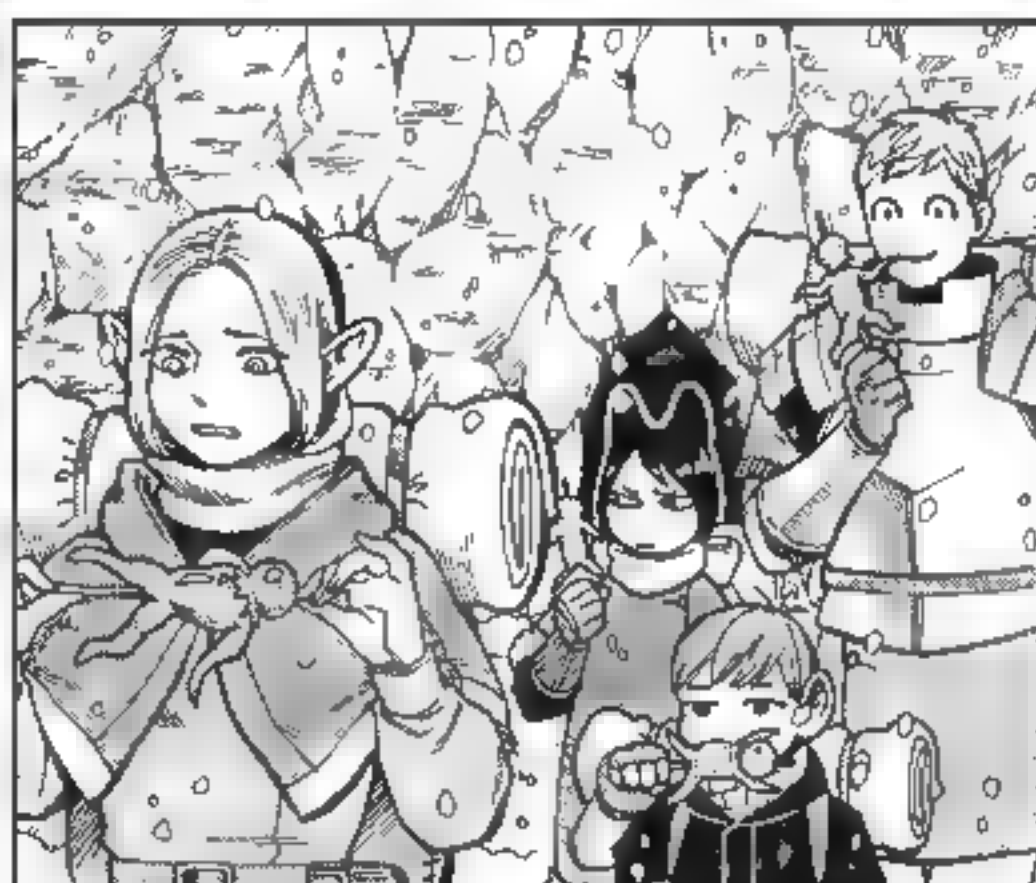


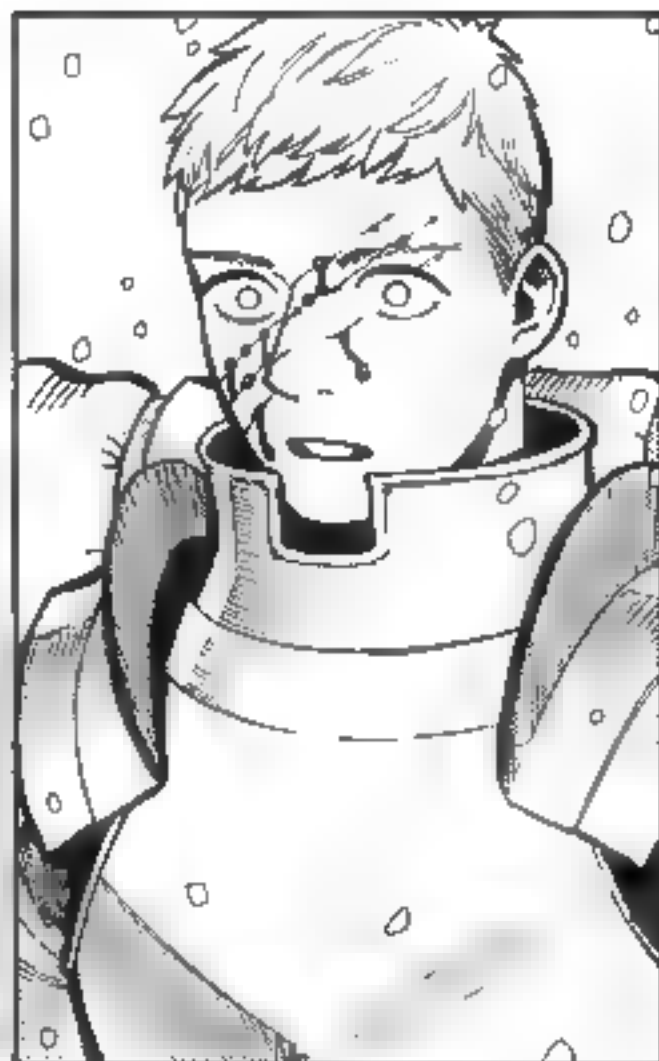


44. BAROMETZ













YOU SHOULD HURRY AND GET USED TO IT.

YOU CAN'T BE A PICKY EATER IN THE DUNGEON. WE'VE BEEN EATING ALL SORTS OF THINGS ALL THIS TIME.



THAT'S ALL OF IT.

ISN'T THERE ANYTHING BETTER THAN THIS?

LIAR! I BET YOU'RE HIDING IT.



I ONLY EAT WHAT I WANT TO EAT.

NO!



IF A BLIND PERSON EATS AN EYEBALL, DO THEY RECOVER THEIR SIGHT?

SHEEP ONLY EAT PLANTS, BUT DO THEY TURN INTO THEM?

DO PEOPLE WHO EAT SHEEP OR PIGS EVER TURN INTO THEM?



IZUTSUMI, LISTEN.

EATING MONSTERS WON'T TURN YOU INTO ONE.



THAT...?

WHAT DO YOU CALL THAT, THEN!?

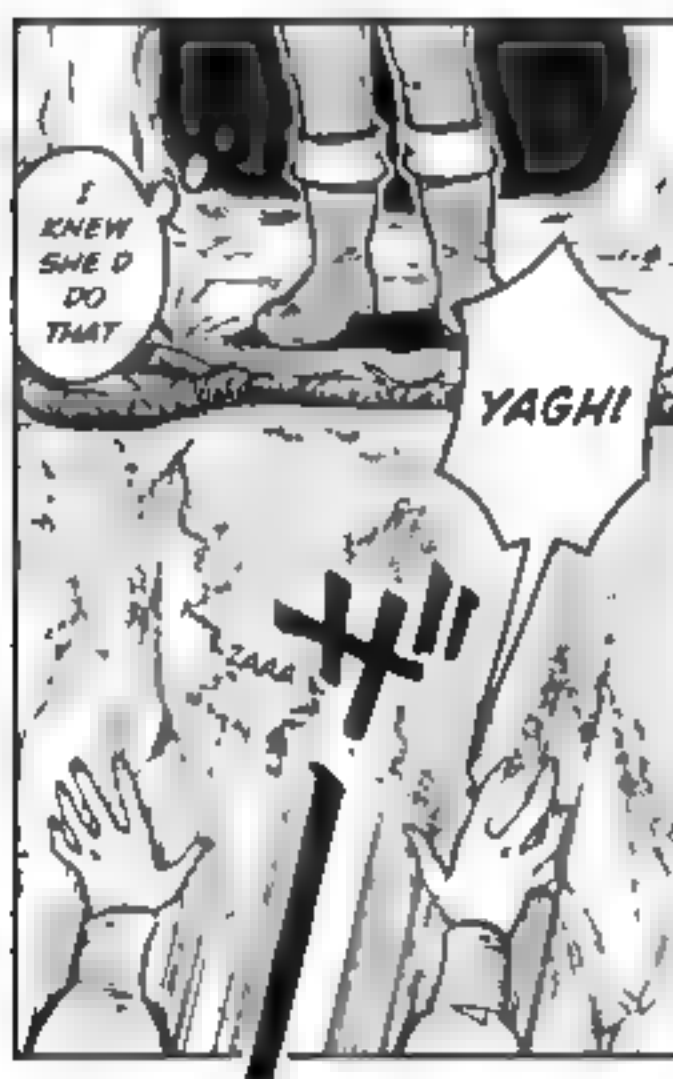


THAT'S WHY WE'RE WORKING HARD AND EXPERIMENTING.

SHUT UP! SHUT UP!!

FOOD AND NUTRITION AREN'T THAT SIMPLE.

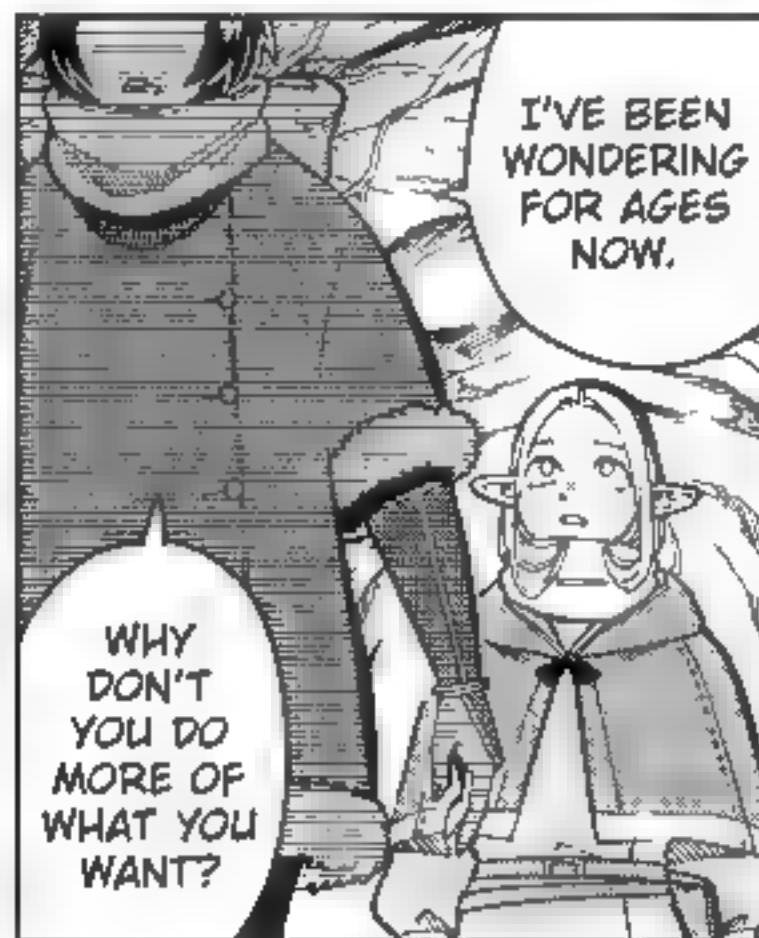
















YOU'D THINK
YOU COULD BE
A LITTLE MORE
GRATEFUL TO
US FOR TAKING
YOU IN.



UNLIKE
YOU, SHE'S
CLIMBY.

DON'T
FORCE
JOBS YOU
DON'T LIKE
ONTO HER!

SHE
FELL OFF
THE ROOF
DOING
THAT.



NO.

LIAR!

YOU MADE
TADE CLEAR
THE SNOW
OFF THE
TRAINING
HALL ROOF,
DIDN'T
YOU?



BUT TADE
WANTS...



YOU
REALLY
ARE
DUMB.

WHY'D
YOU DO
THAT WHEN
NOBODY
ASKED YOU
TO?



HEY,
TADE.



BACK
THEN...

...
WHAT
WAS
IT SHE
SAID?

WELL,
WHAT-
EVER.





!S











WE
WEREN'T
THAT
OKAY,
BUT...

WHAT
ABOUT
YOU?

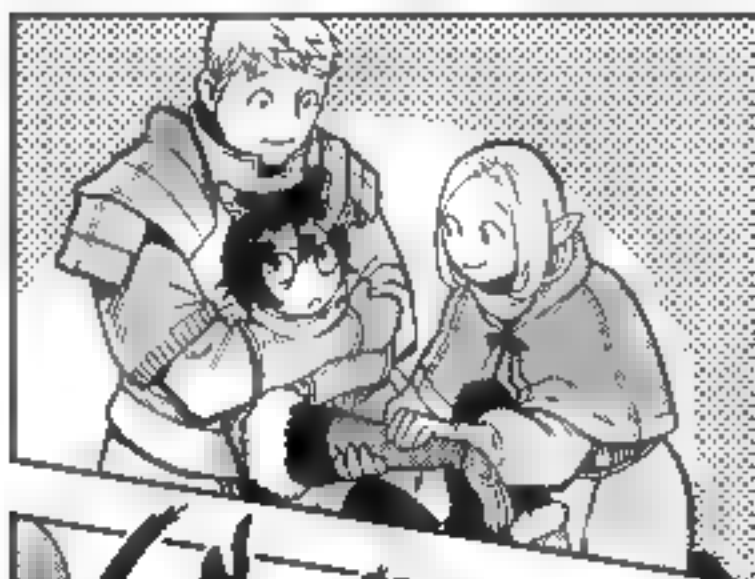


...LAIOS'S
THREATS
GOT US
THROUGH.



IZU-
TSUMI!
MAR-
CILLE!

YOU'RE
OKAY?



I'M GOING
TO SET IT
AND CAST A
RECOVERY
SPELL
ON IT.

SHE
BROKE
HER
ARM.

HELP
ME.

HURRY
UP

OK



MOST OF
THE WOLVES
WENT
AFTER YOU,
MARCILLE.

DID YOU
GET
HURT?



THIS IS
WHAT WAS
LEFT.



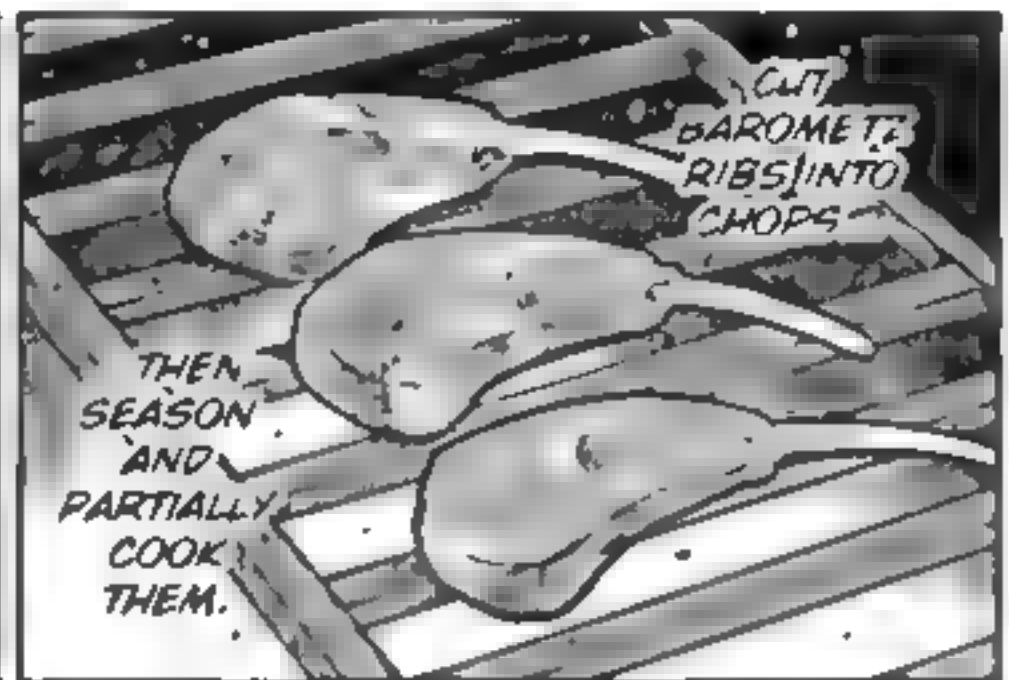
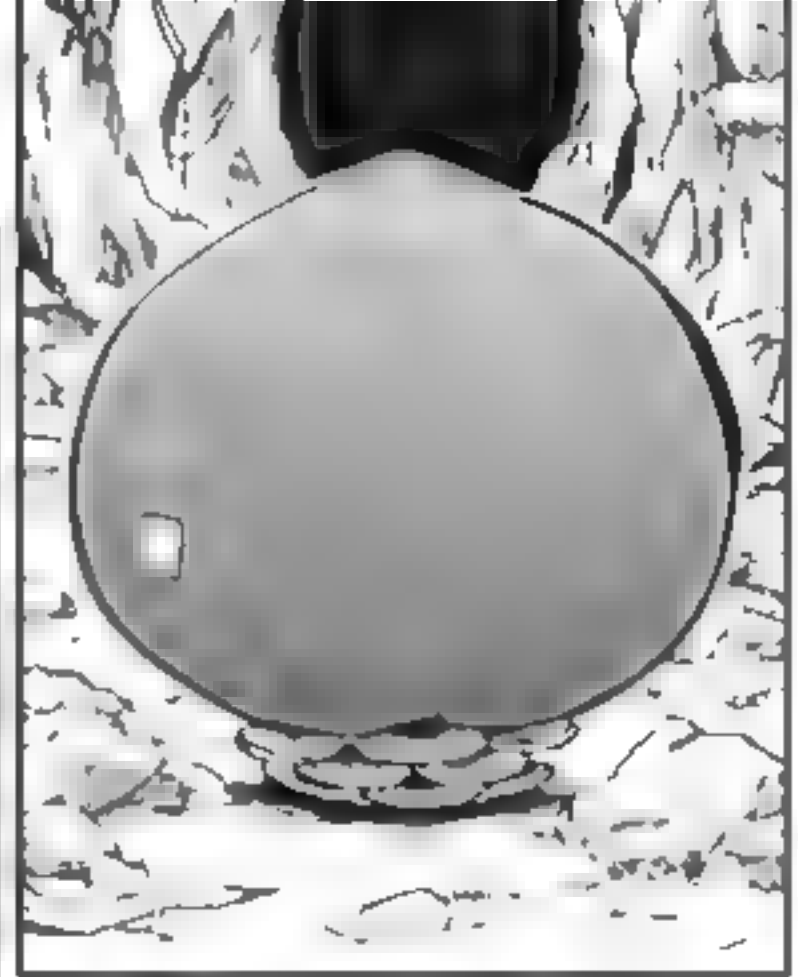
I WANTED
TO HARVEST A
BAROMETZ
...

...BUT
THE
WOLVES
MADE OFF
WITH THE
ADULT.



YOU DID
GREAT.
IT WON'T
HURT FOR
LONG.

THE
RECOVERY
SPELL
HURT
WORSE...



BAROMETZ BALUT (OR BAROMETZ CHOPS)

Ingredients

Barometz fruit (unripe)	1
Young barometz shoot	500 g
Salt and pepper	To taste
Garlic	2 cloves
Wine	2 tbsp

Nutrient Diagram Labels: ENERGY, PROTEIN, FAT, CARBS, CALCIUM, IRON, VITAMIN A, VITAMIN B2, VITAMIN C



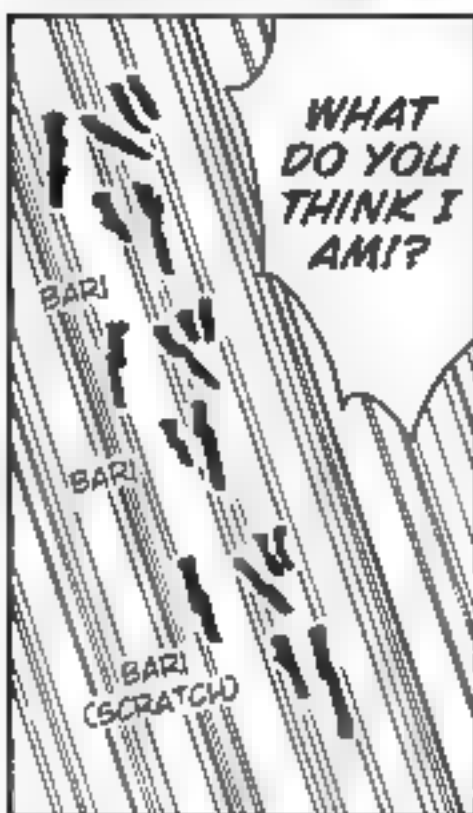




MAYBE
IT'S
LIKE
SHE
SAID.



SOME-
TIMES YOU
GET TASTY
STUFF OUT
OF THE
DEAL.



WHAT
DO YOU
THINK I
AM?

GOOOOD,
GOOD,
GOOD!

QUIT
...!

WHY,
YOU...



YOU
WORKED
REALLY
HARD!
WHAT A
GOOD
GIRL!!

WHA
...!?

GOOD!
VERY
GOOD,
IZU-
TSUMI!



YOU
THINK
YOU CAN
GET OUT
OF IT
AFTER
LECTURING
ME LIKE
THAT?

BY
THE WAY,
MARCILLE,
YOU'RE
NOT EATING
MUCH.



MARCILLE
DEEPLY
REGRETTED
BLOCKING
HER OWN
ESCAPE
ROUTE.

YOU
CAN'T TELL
IF THEY'RE
NASTY OR
NOT UNTIL
YOU TRY
THEM.

I WON'T
EAT NASTY
VEGETABLES
OR
MONSTERS
FROM
NOW ON
EITHER.

I HAD
NO
CHOICE
THIS
TIME,
THAT'S
ALL.

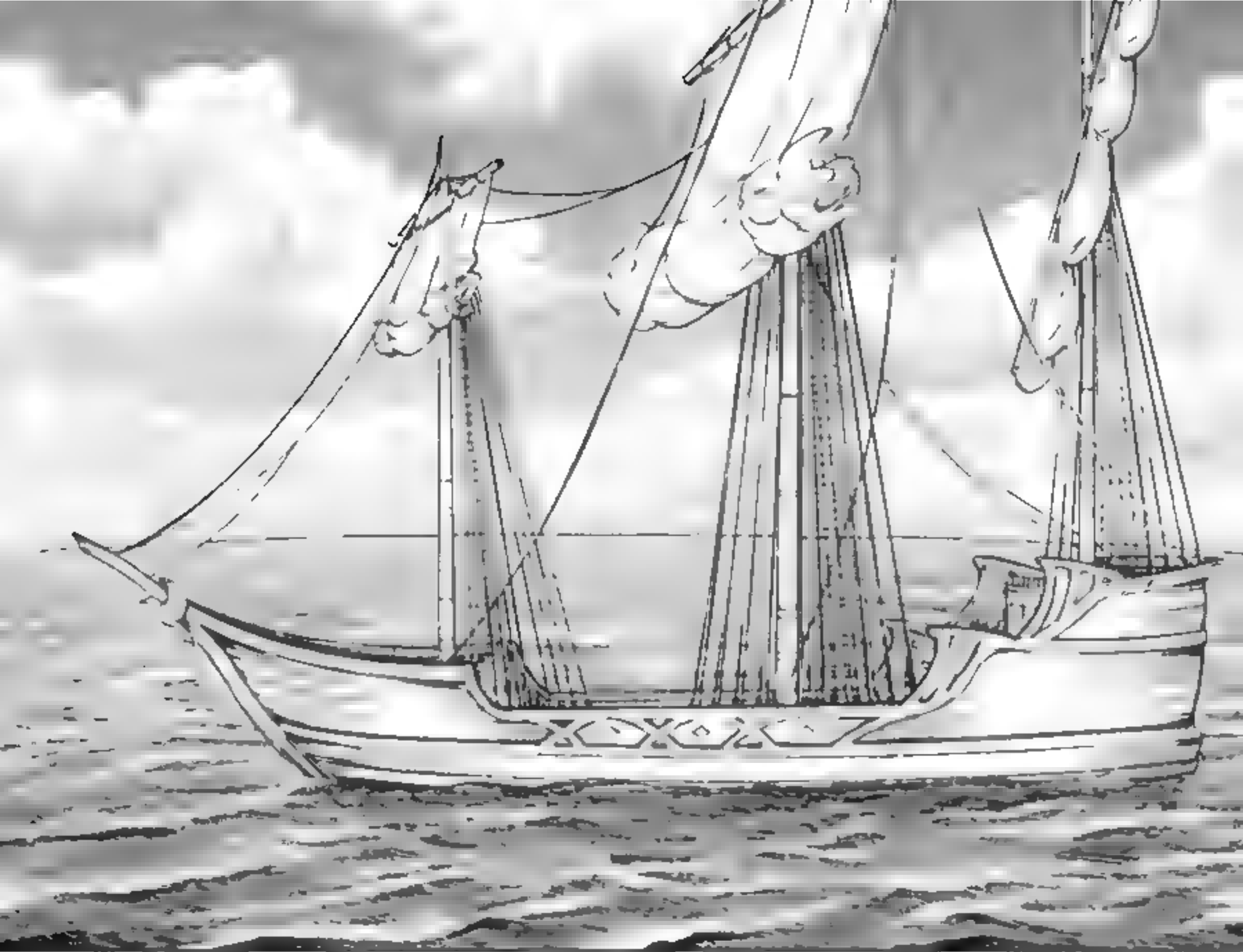


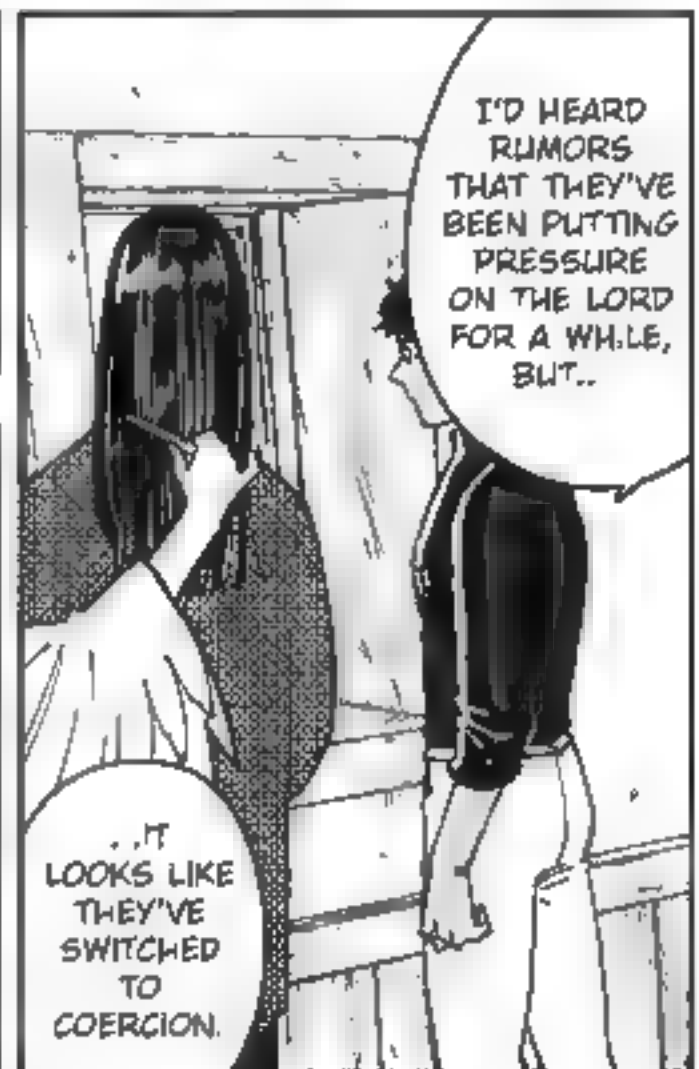
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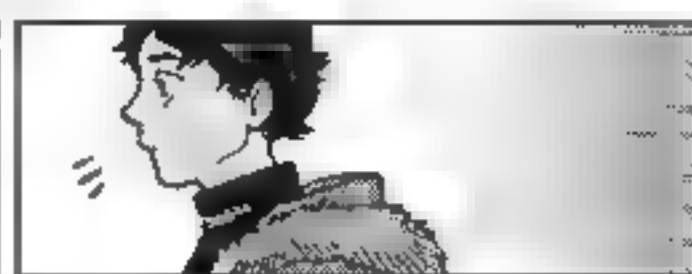
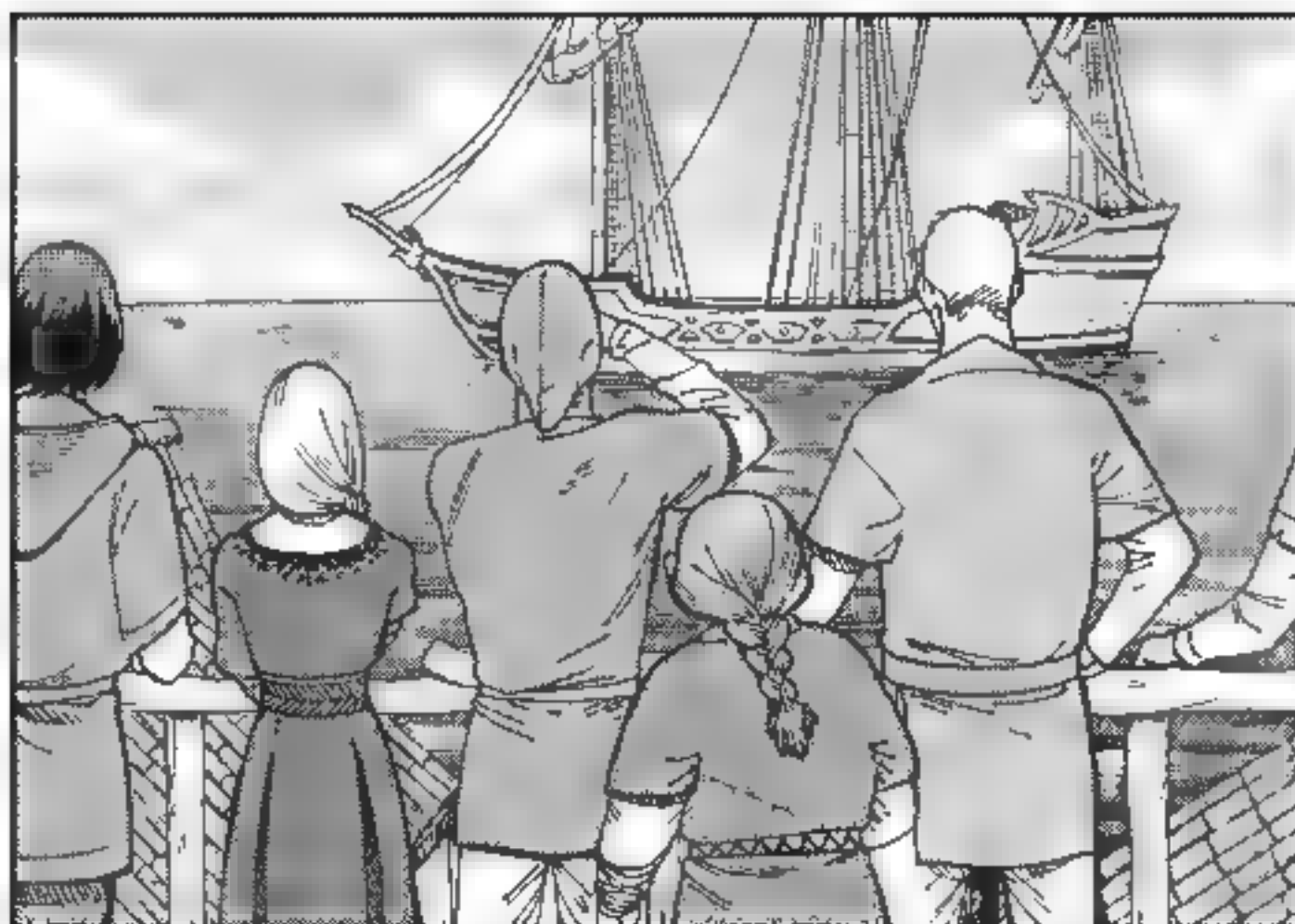


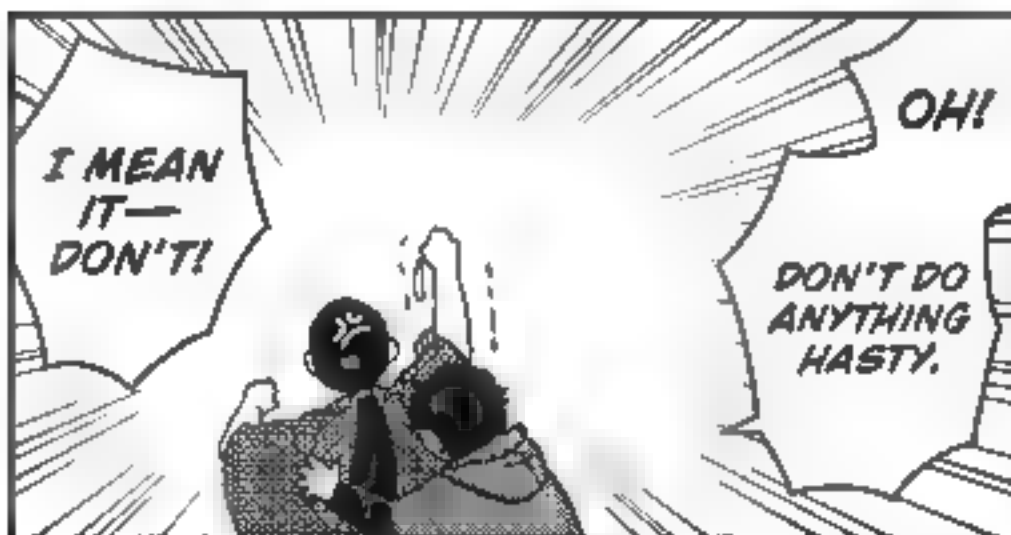


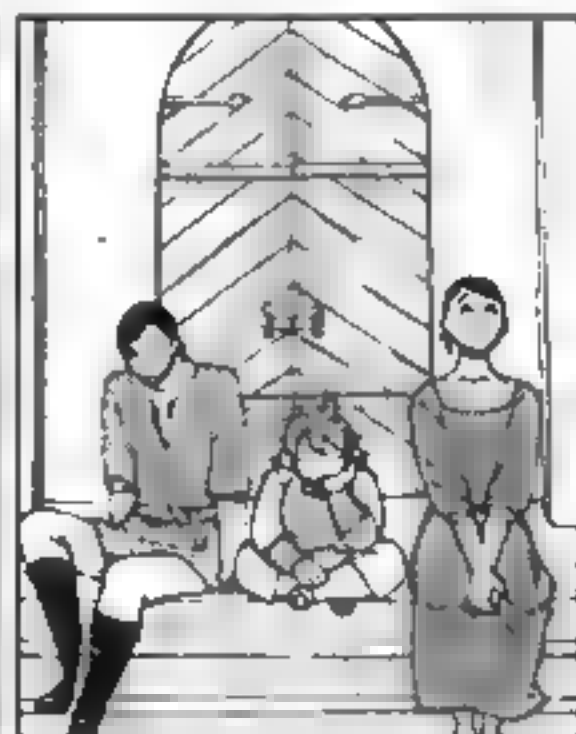
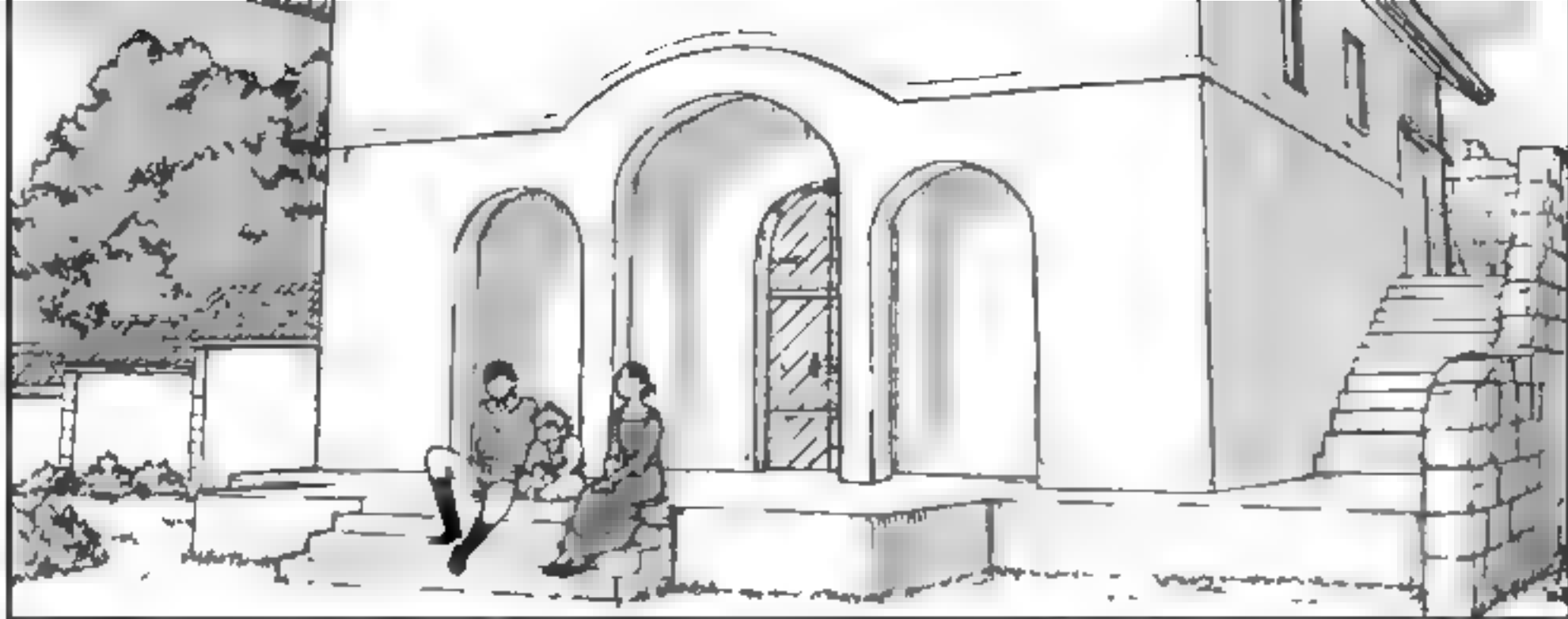


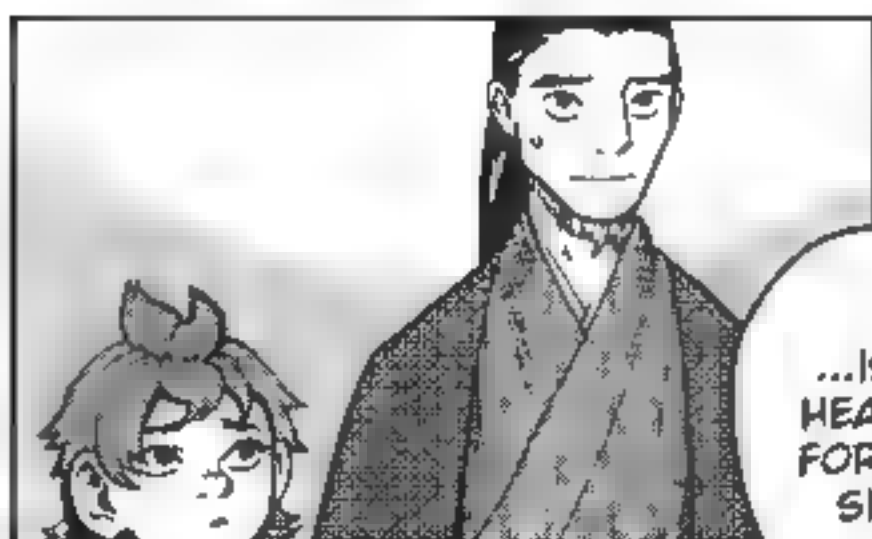




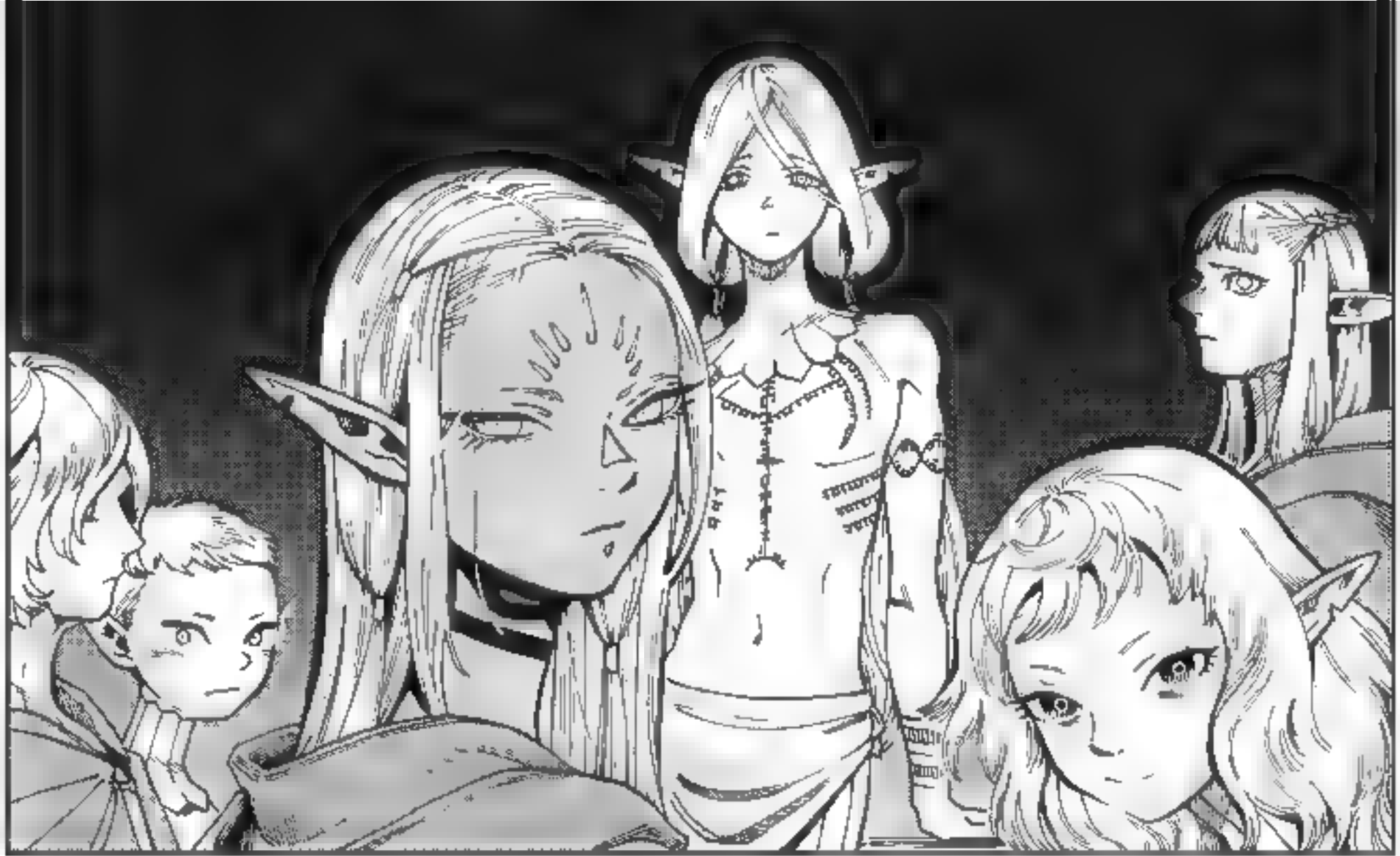






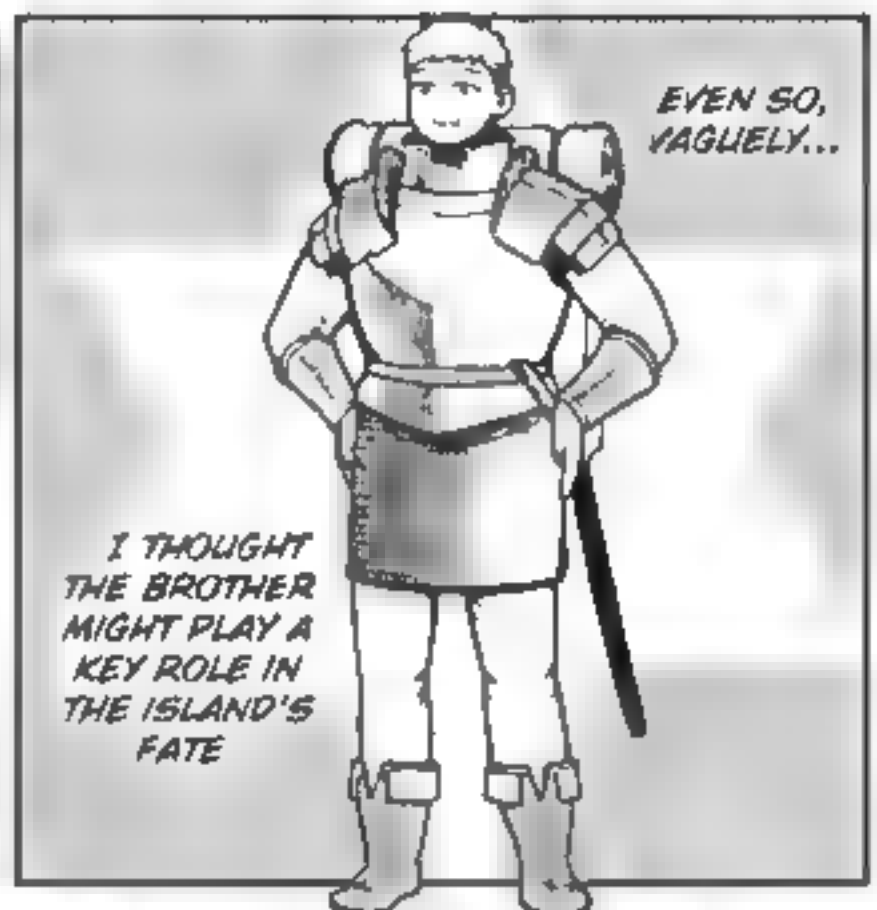
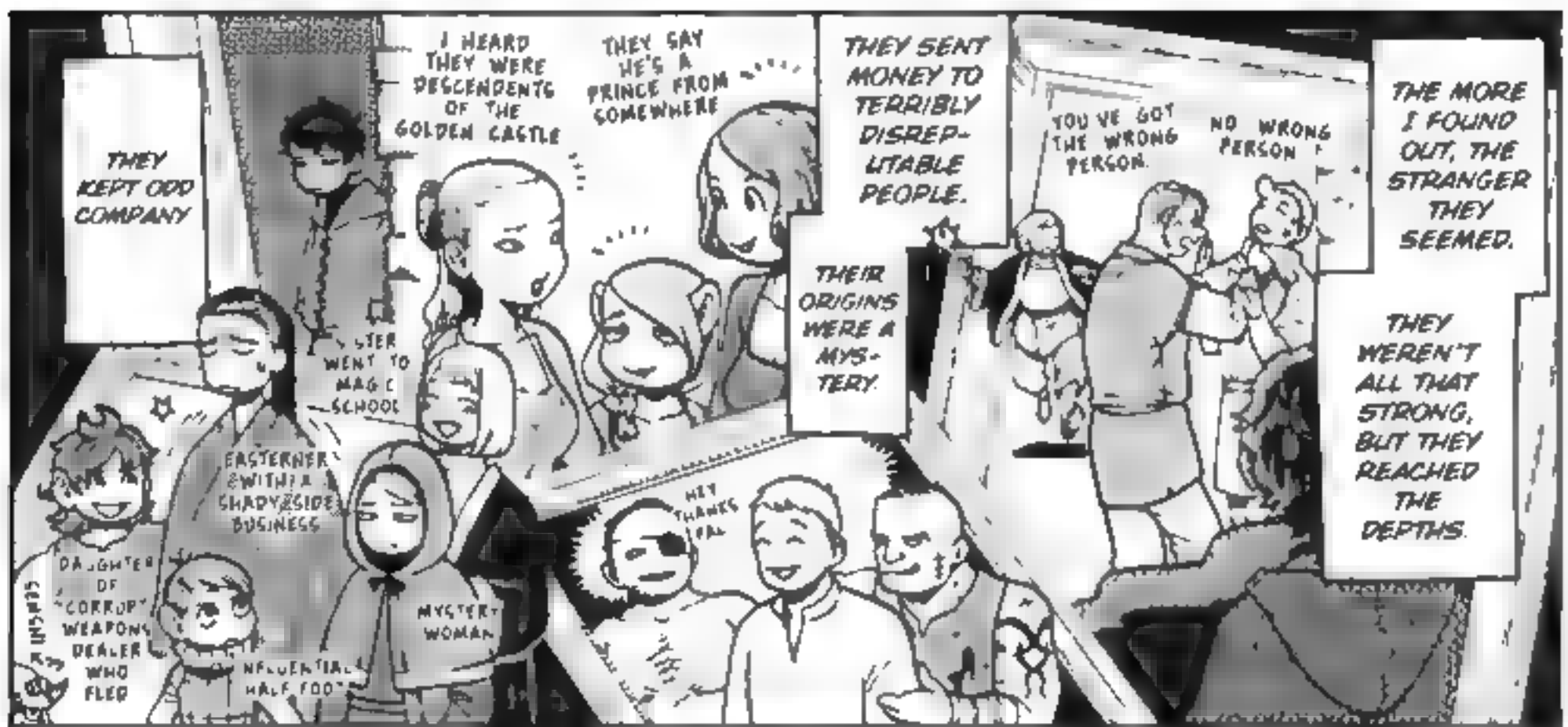


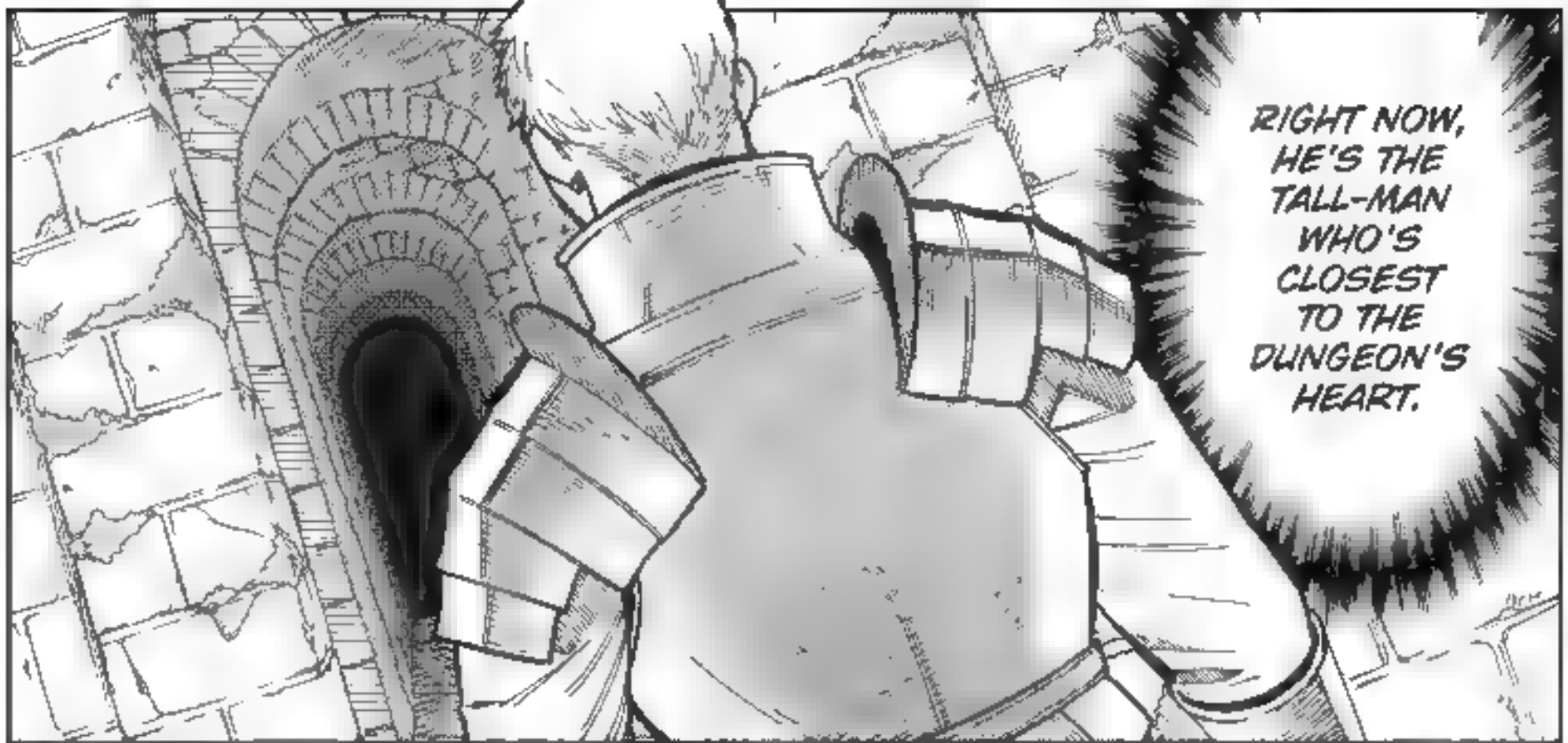












RIGHT NOW,
HE'S THE
TALL-MAN
WHO'S
CLOSEST
TO THE
DUNGEON'S
HEART.



LORD
OF THE
ISLAND!

DO
AS YOU
WISH.

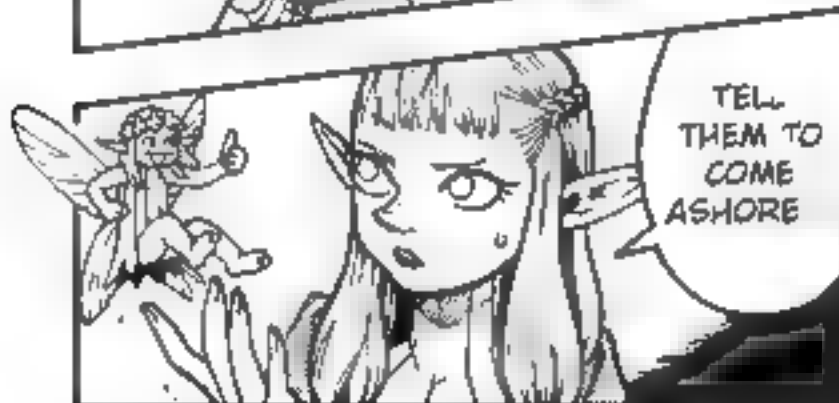
ENOUGH.



...I CAN'T
LET THESE
ELVES GET
IN HIS WAY.

SINCE THIS
IS PROBABLY
THE FIRST
AND LAST
CHANCE...

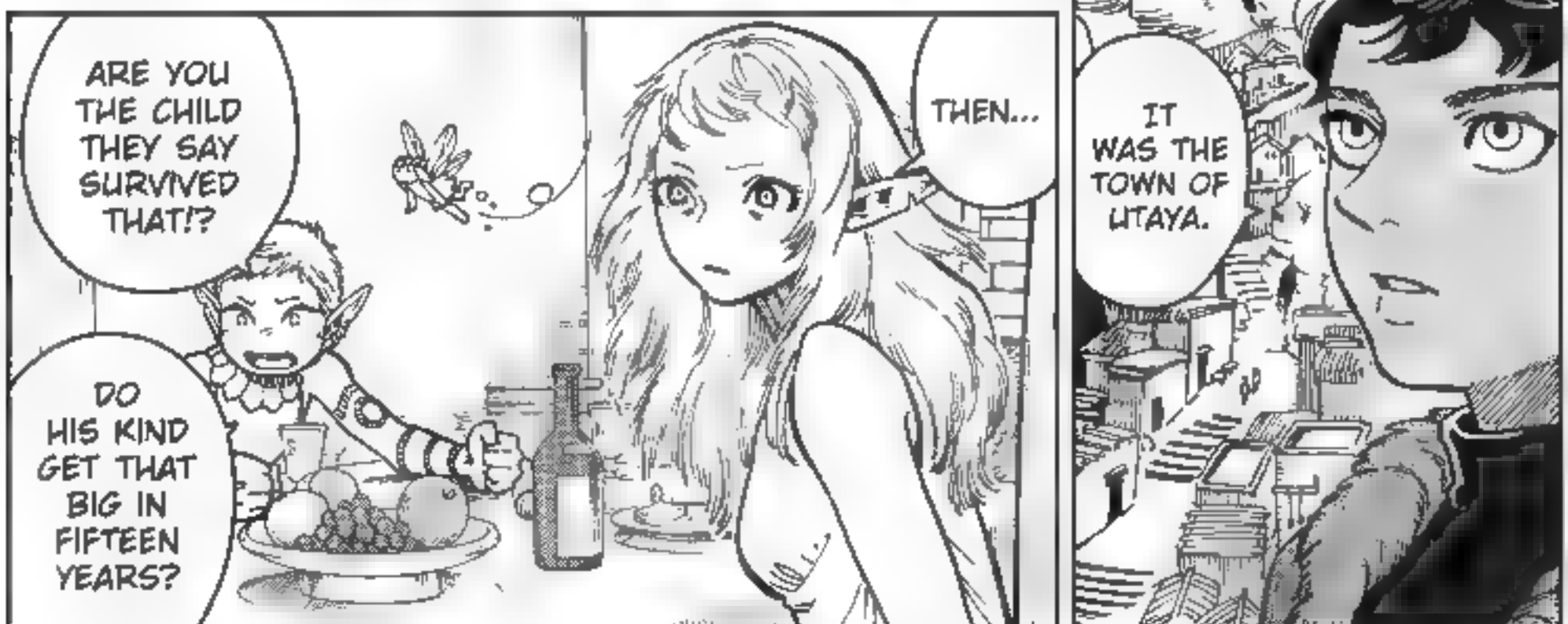
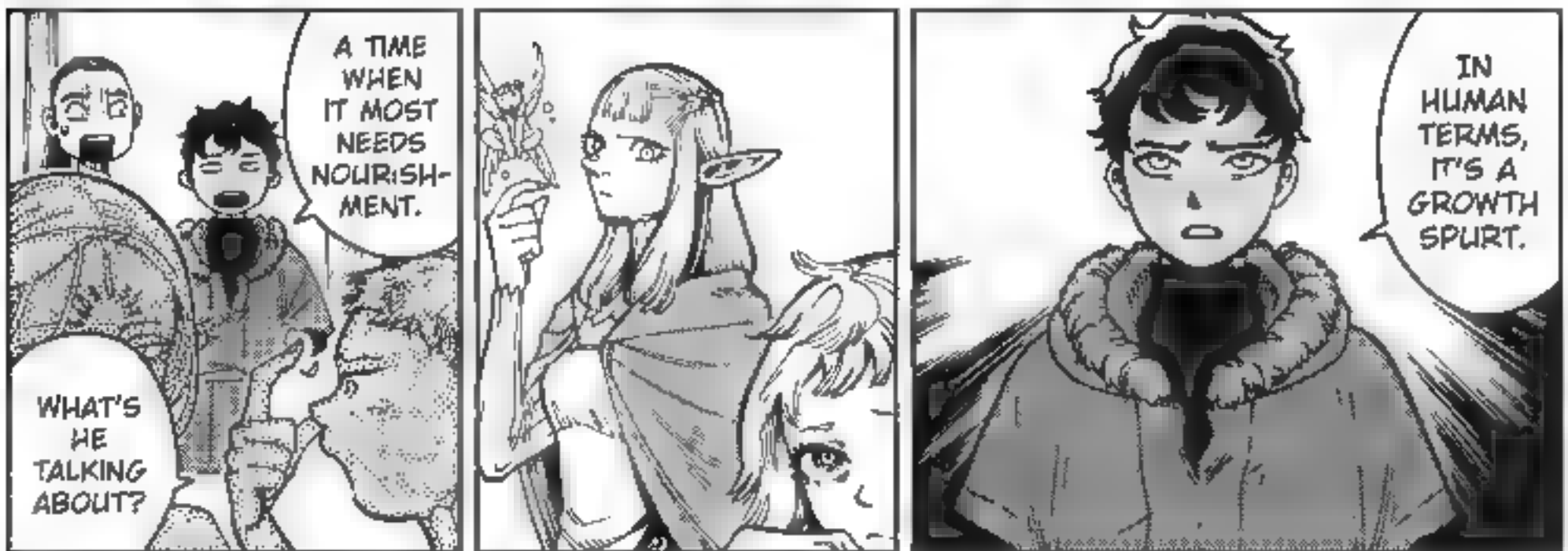
I'LL FIGURE
OUT WHAT
TO DO
ABOUT HIM
LATER.



TELL
THEM TO
COME
ASHORE



PLEASE
WAIT!!





WANTED TO PREVENT THE TRAGEDY OF MY HOMETOWN FROM REPEATING.

HOW LAUD-ABLE.



WELL, WELL.

I'M SURE YOU WERE DOTTED ON, AND YET YOU BECAME AN ADVENTURER?

I'D DREAMED OF JOINING YOU, BUT RACE WAS AN OBSTACLE...



YES.

I WAS IN THEIR CARE FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

I DID HEAR THAT THE VICE-CAPTAIN OR SOMEONE HAD BROUGHT YOU BACK...



SO...

BITA (FREEZE)



WHAT ABOUT IT?

GO ON.

"NOURISHMENT," YOU SAID.



ARE YOU EATING PROPERLY?

GO VISIT AND LET 'EM SEE YOU ONCE IN A WHILE.

WANT SOME CAKE?



IT WAS BECAUSE THE DEAD BECAME MONSTERS THAT DEVoured THE OTHERS ALIVE.



I HEAR MANY SOLDIERS WERE ATTACKED FROM BEHIND AS WELL.



THANKS IN PART TO YOUR EFFORTS, THE UTAYA DUNGEON COLLAPSED PROMPTLY...

SO THAT'S THE BOSS, HM?

...BUT THERE WERE MANY CASUALTIES AMONG SOLDIERS AND RESIDENTS ALIKE.



YOU CAN'T WANT TO DAMAGE THE DUNGEON WITH COMBAT EITHER.



I PROPOSE SEALING THE DUNGEON.

WE MUST NOT FEED IT.

IF YOU RELY ON NUMBERS, YOU'LL ONLY CREATE ANOTHER UTAYA.



I KNOW OF SEVERAL GO-BETWEENS I CAN ASK FOR HELP.

PLEASE LEAVE IT TO ME!

ALL HUMANS HAVE CONNECTIONS OF SOME SORT.



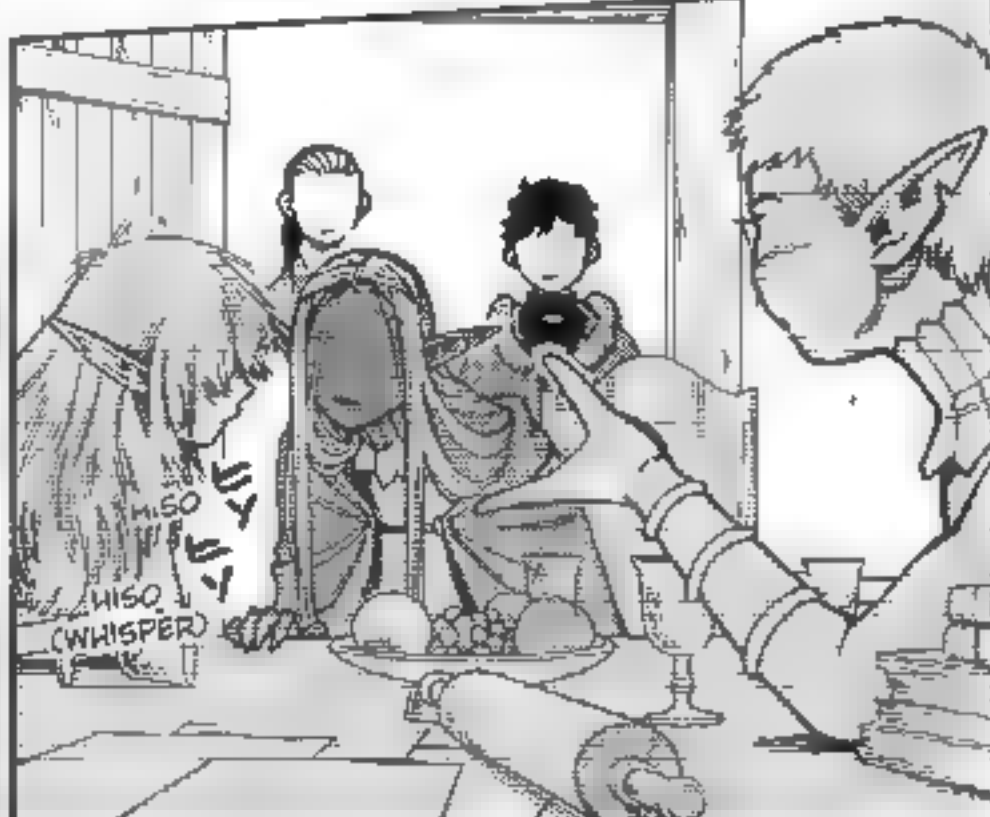
MOST ARE CONCENTRATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR.

LET'S EVACUATE THEM LITTLE BY LITTLE.

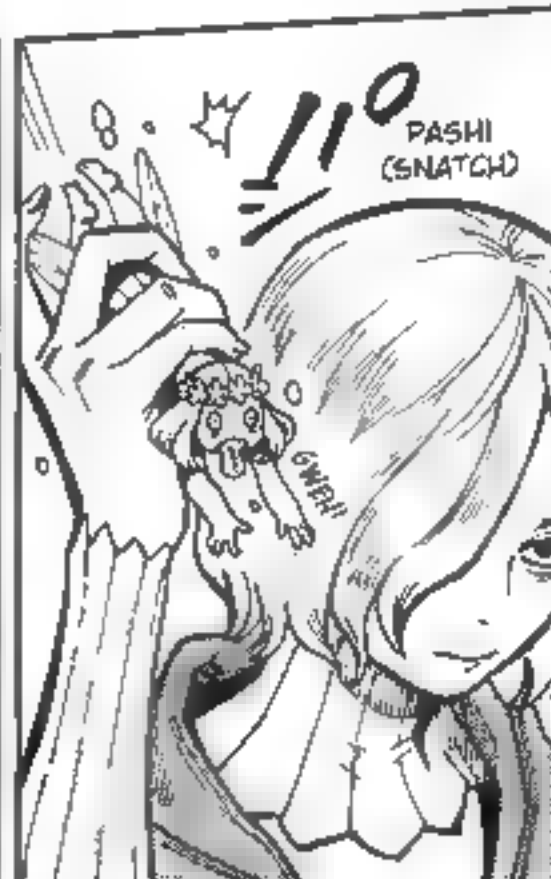
WHAT OF THE HUMANS LEFT INSIDE?



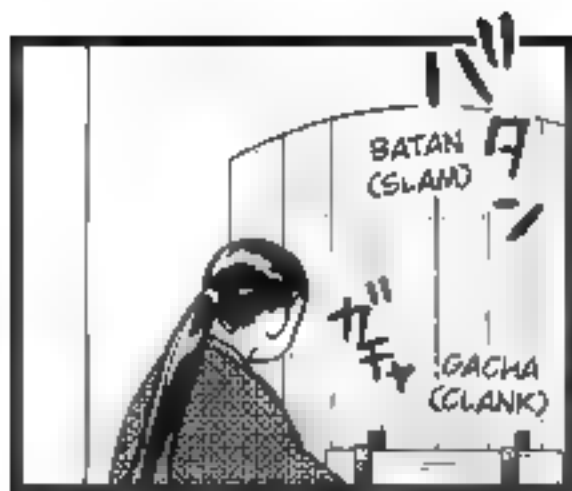
THIS GUY...

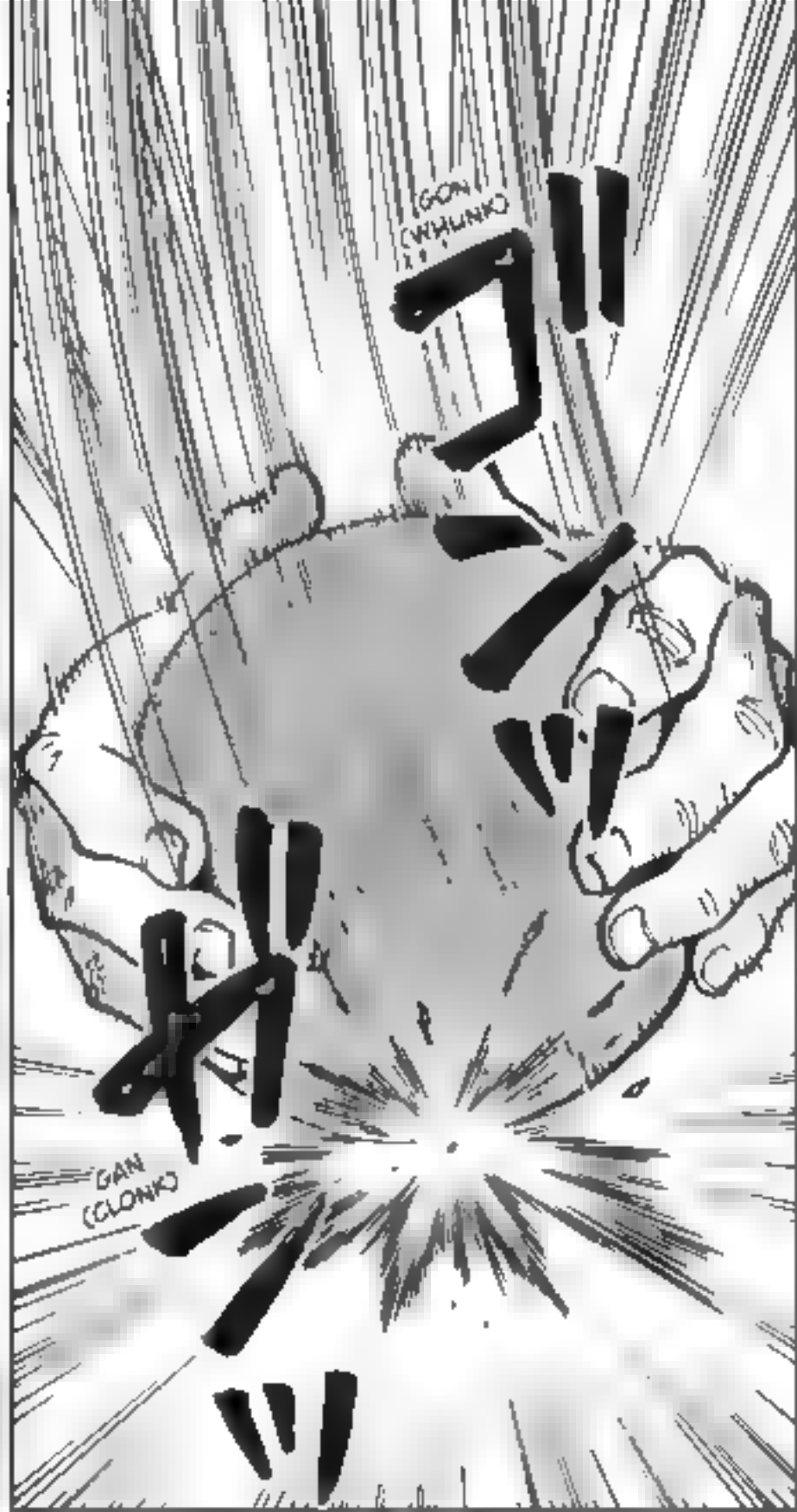
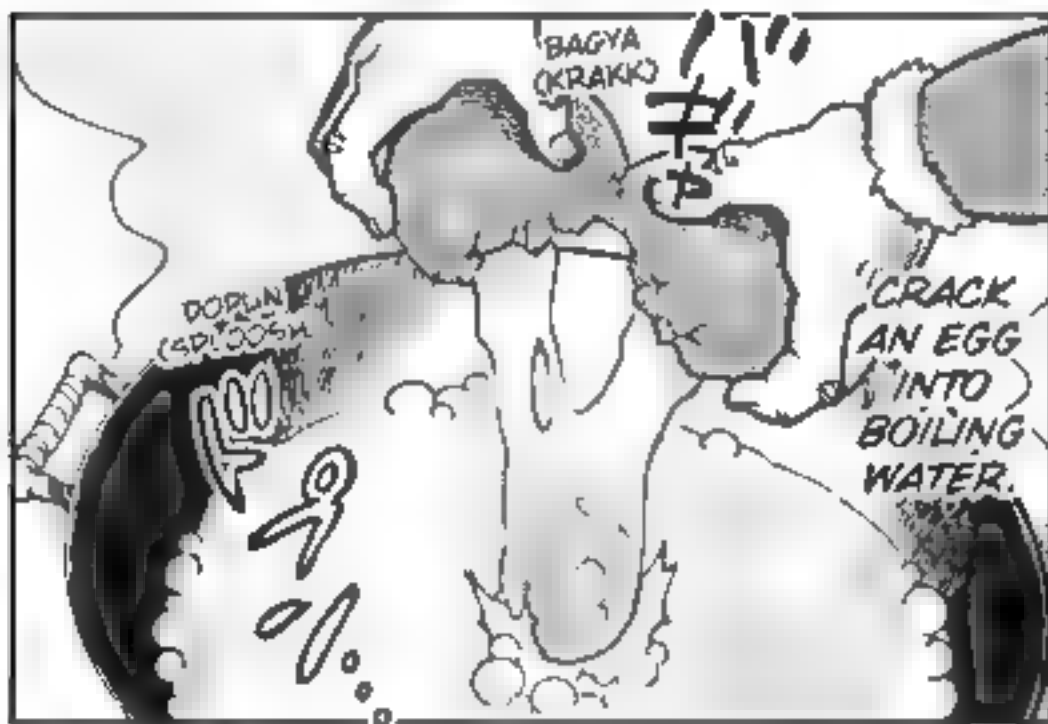


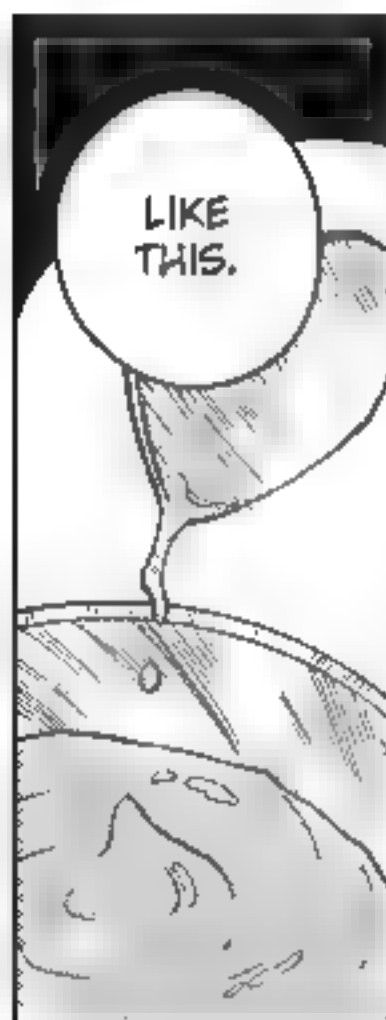
WISO (WHISPER)

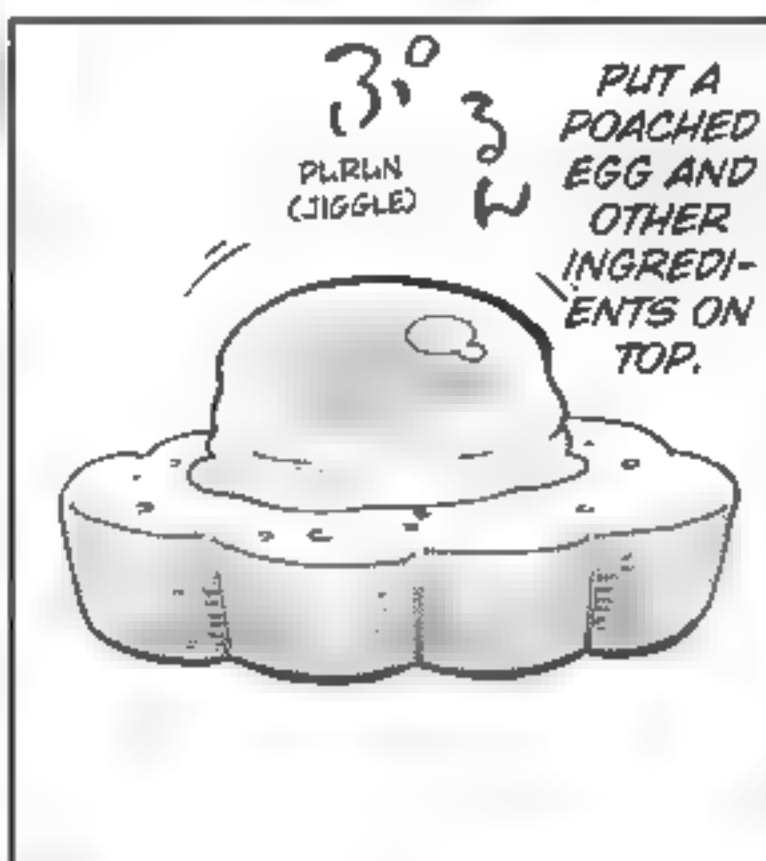


PASHI (SNATCH)









SOUL EGGS BENEDICT

IT'S DONE.

Ingredients	
Bread	1 loaf
Harpy egg	1
Barometz	120 g
Egg yolk (cockatrice)	1
Butter	50 g
Spices	To taste
Lemon juice (if you have it)	

VITAMIN C
VITAMIN B2
VITAMIN A
IRON
ENERGY
PROTEIN
FAT
CARBS
CALCIUM





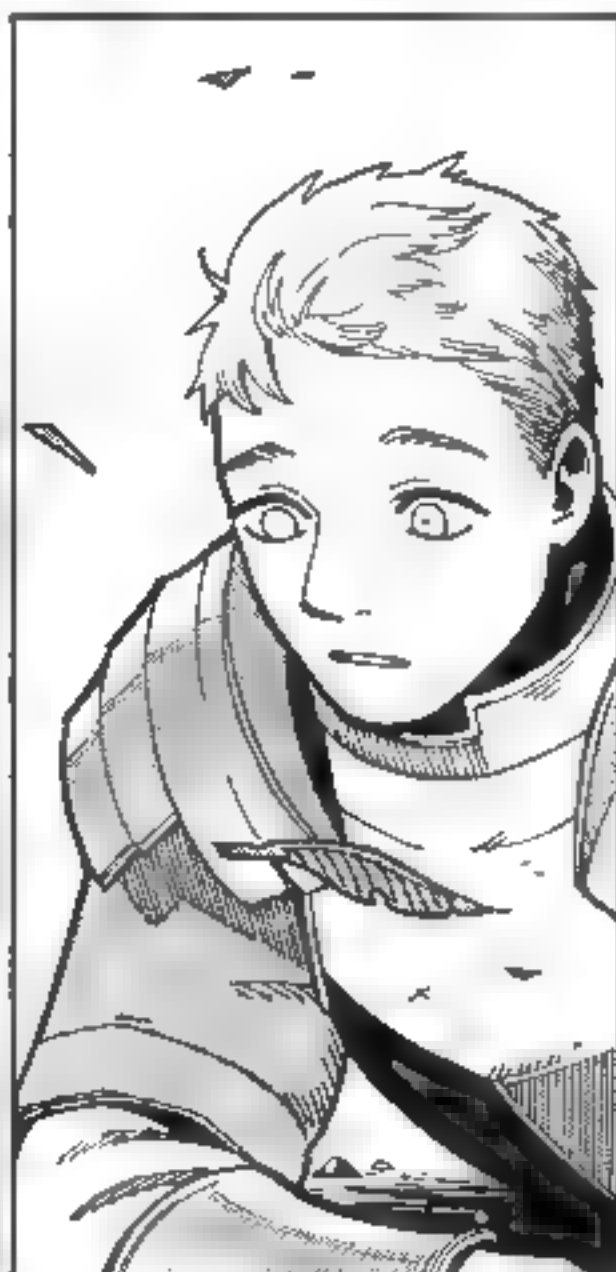
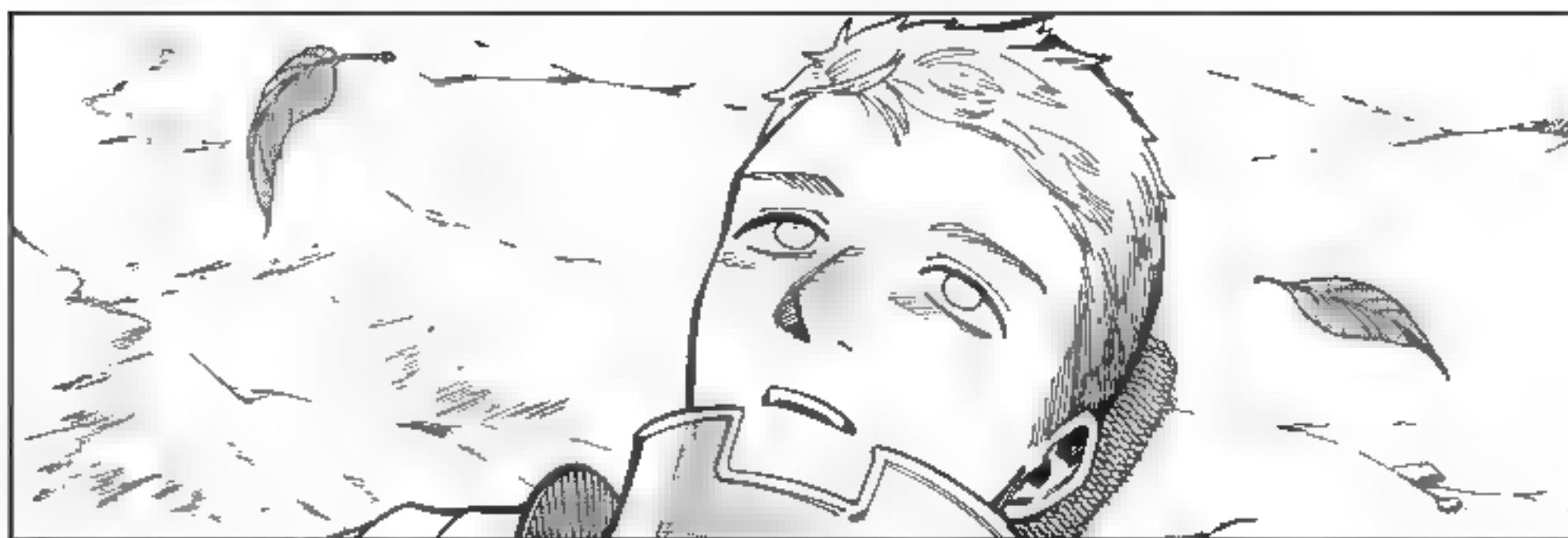




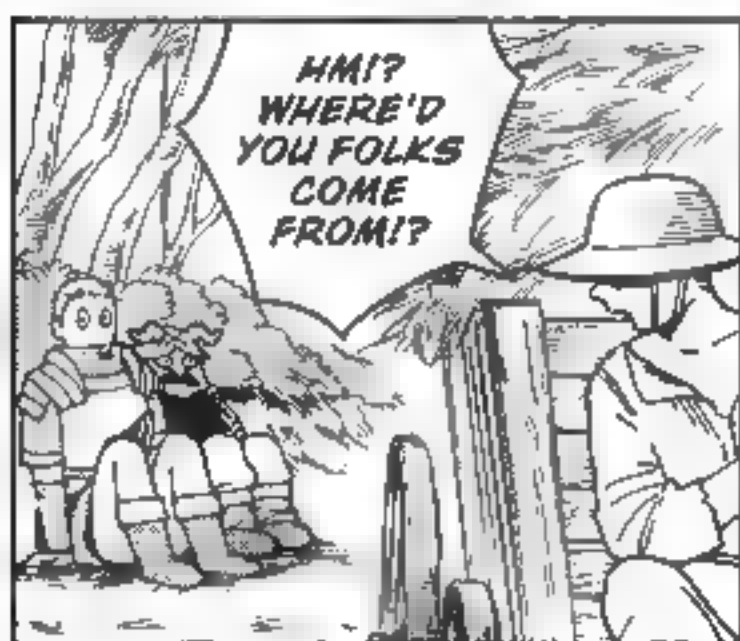
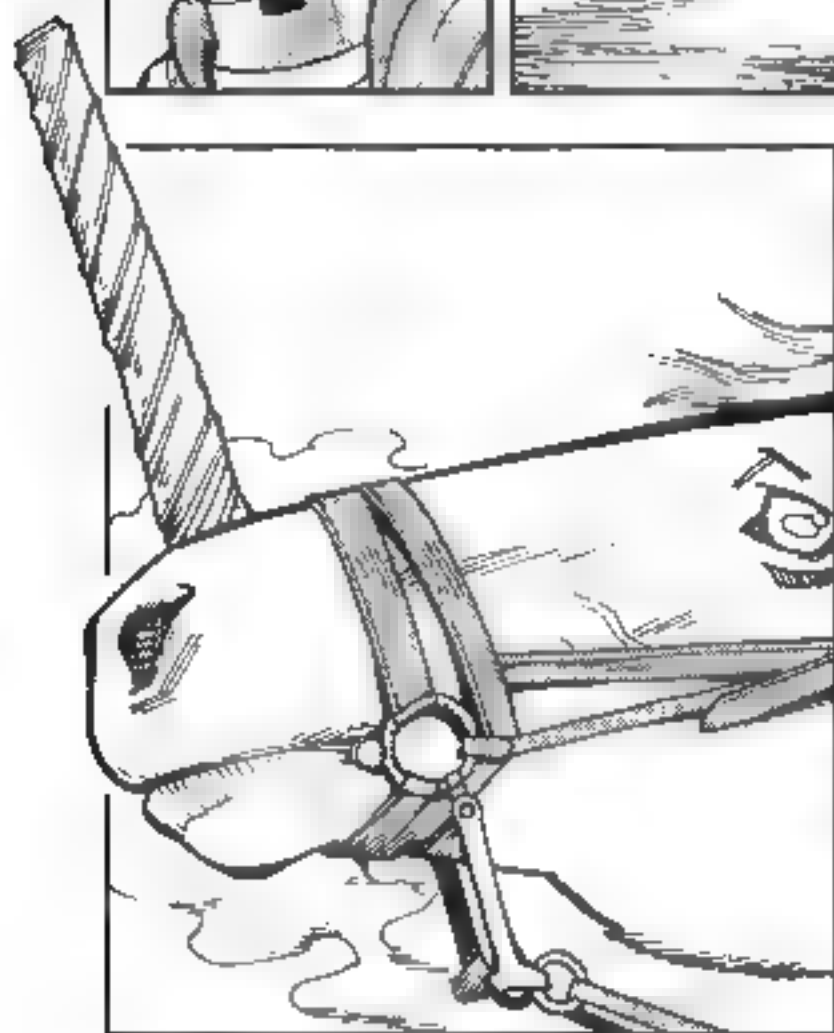


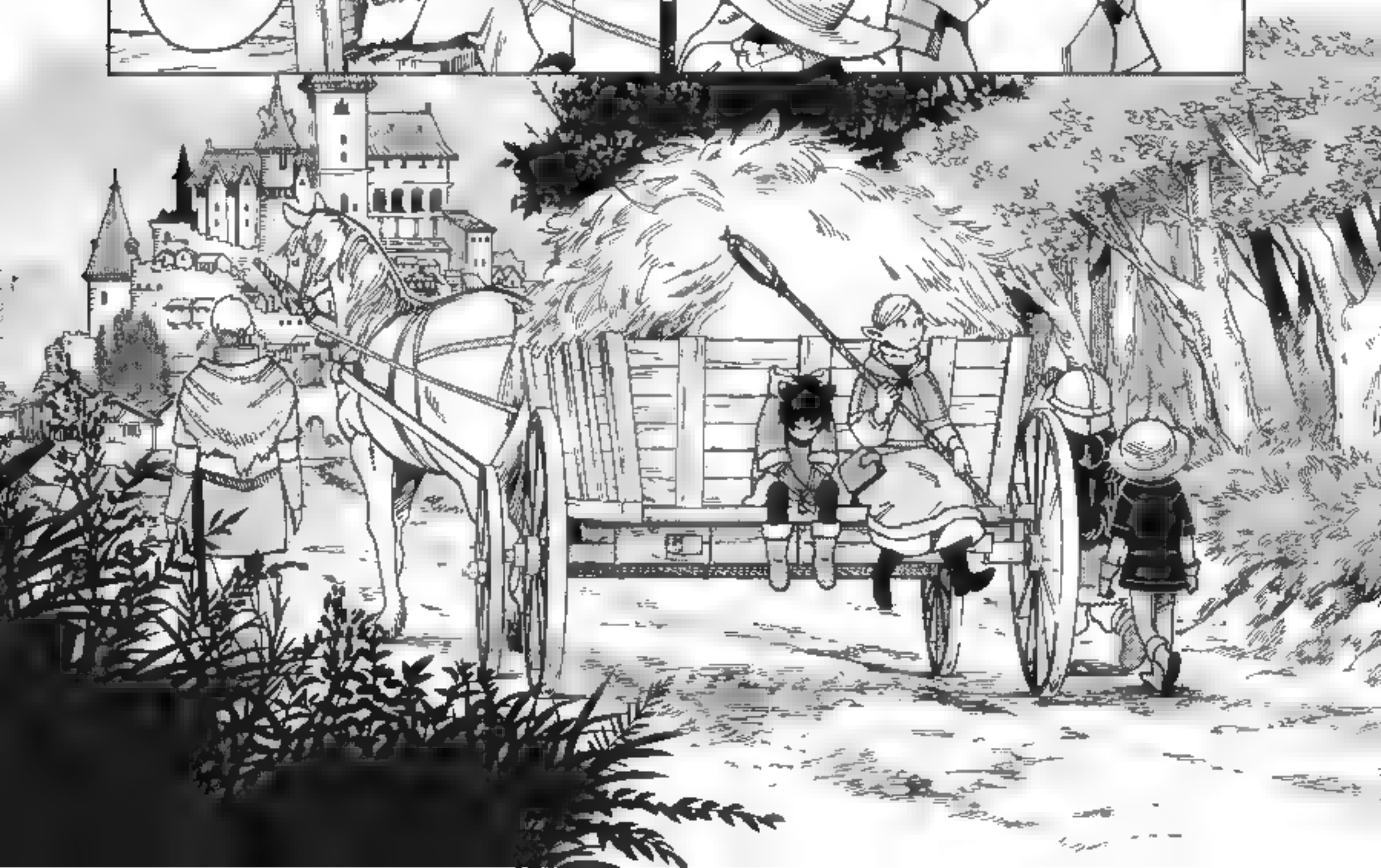


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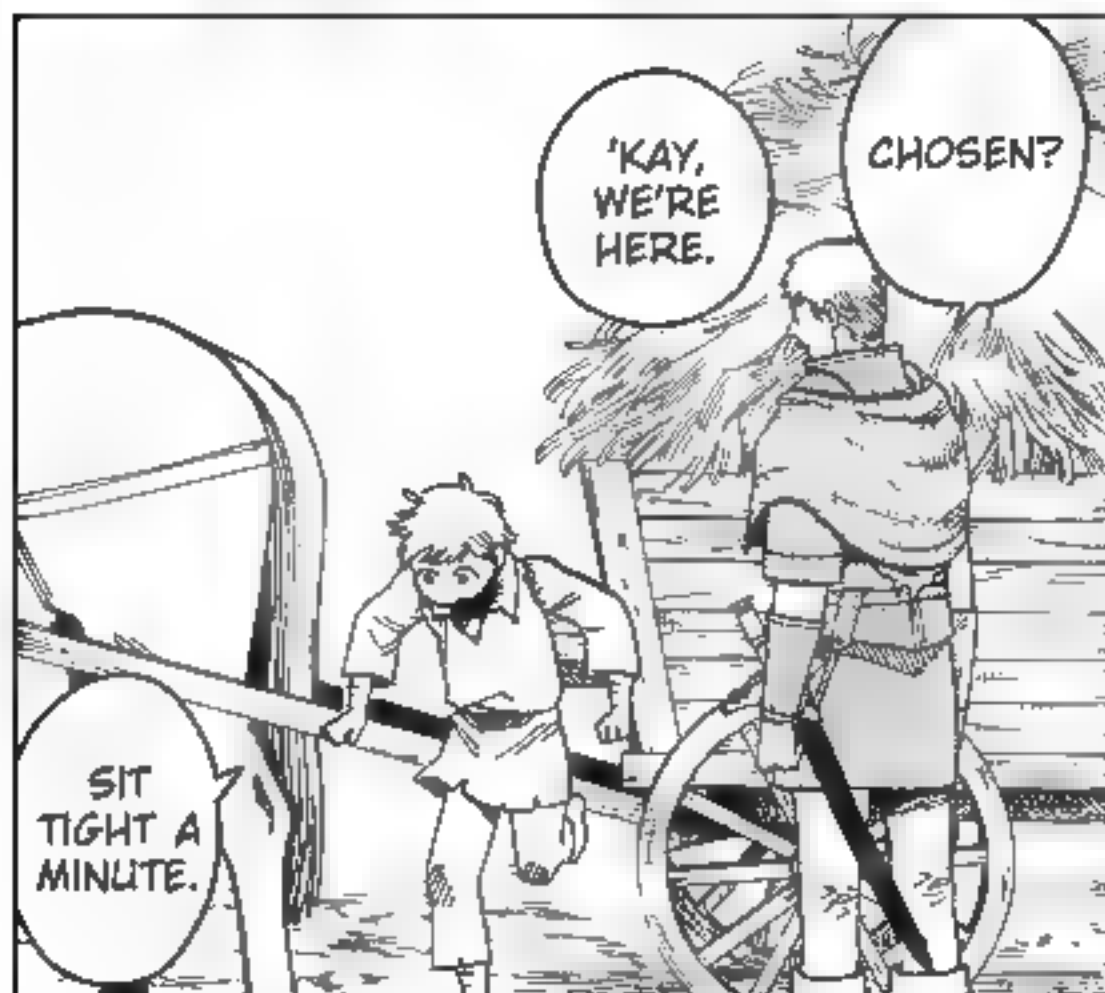


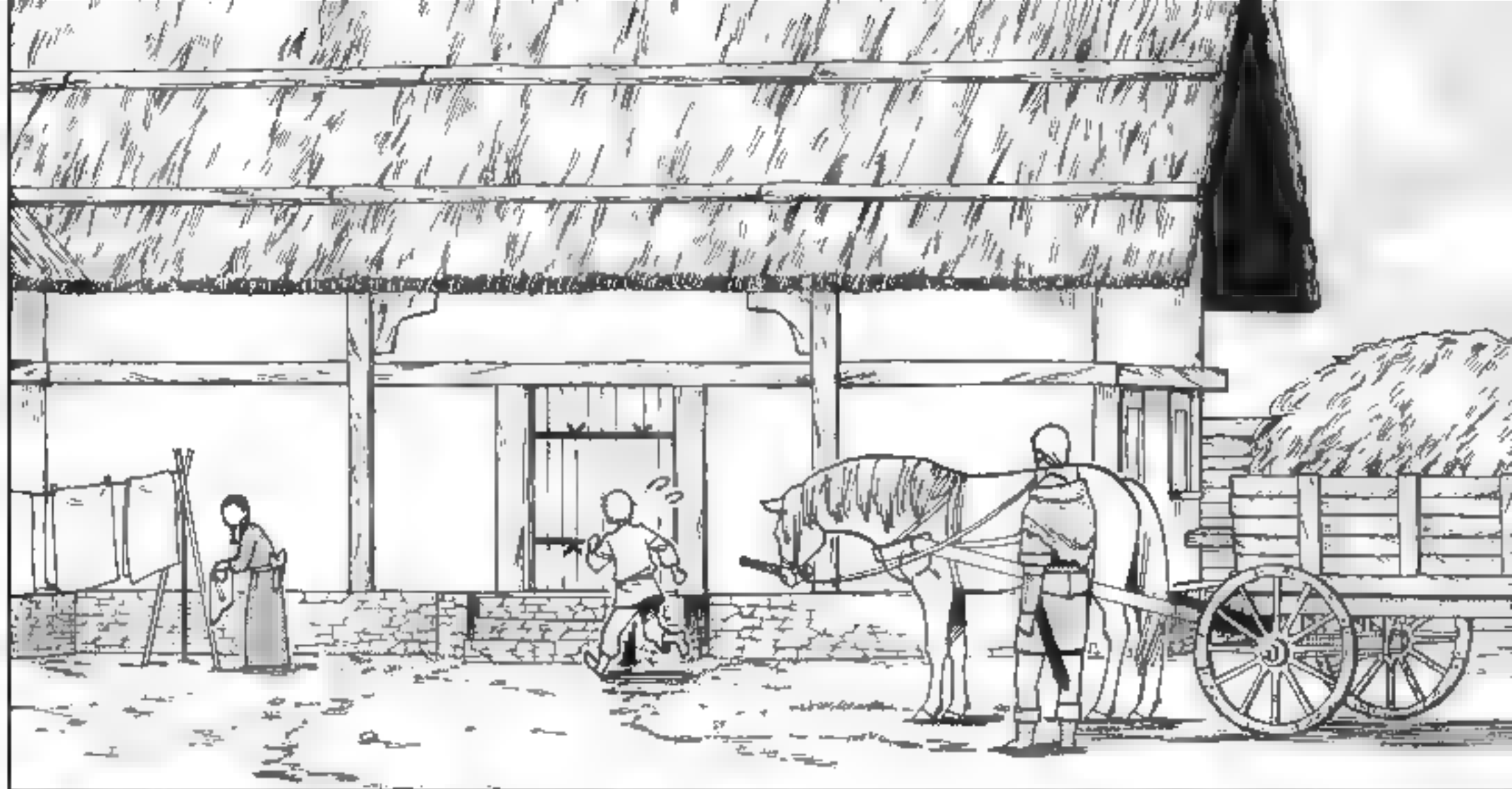


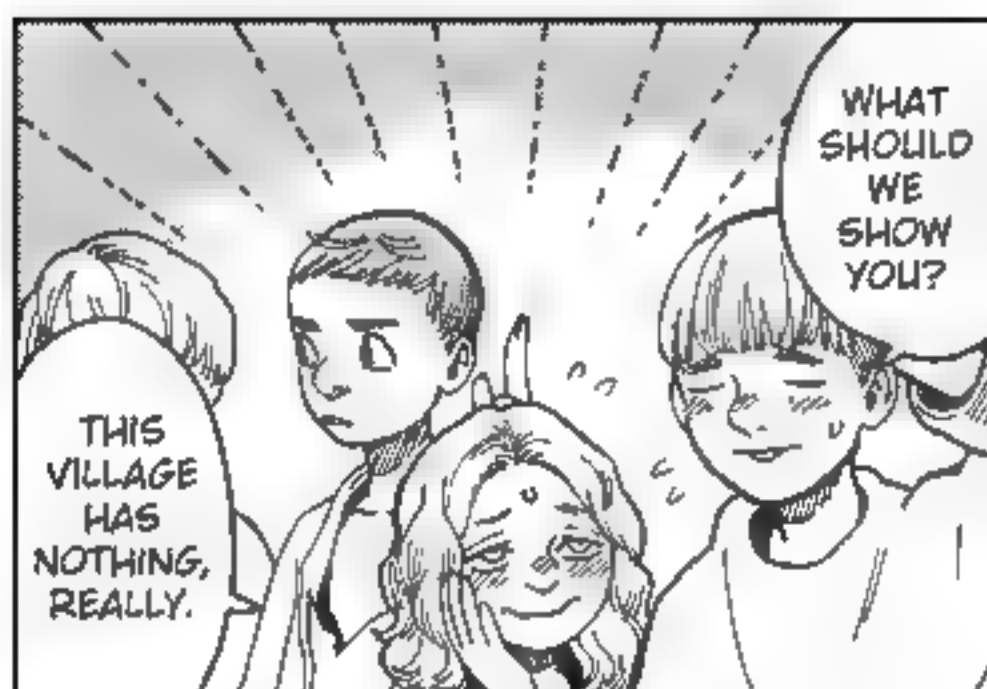


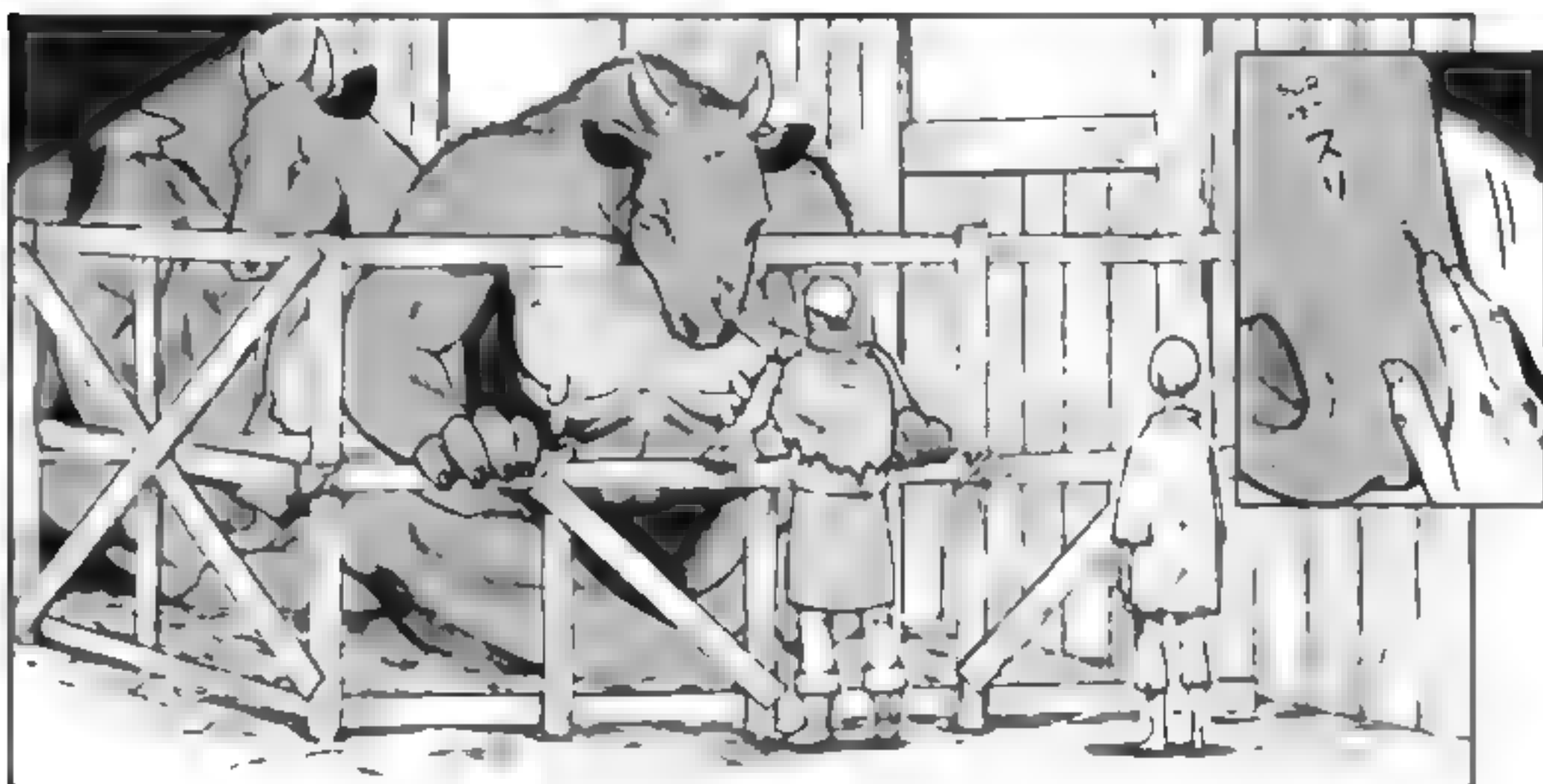














OVER
HERE!
THIS
WAY!

THERE'S
A LOT OF
WASTE,
YEAH.

DO THE
VILLAGERS
USE ALL OF
THIS?

THEY
SEEM A BIT
TOO LARGE,
THOUGH...

HM!
THESE
ARE FINE,
WELL-
TENDED
FIELDS.

PLEASE
TAKE
SOME
WITH
YOU.

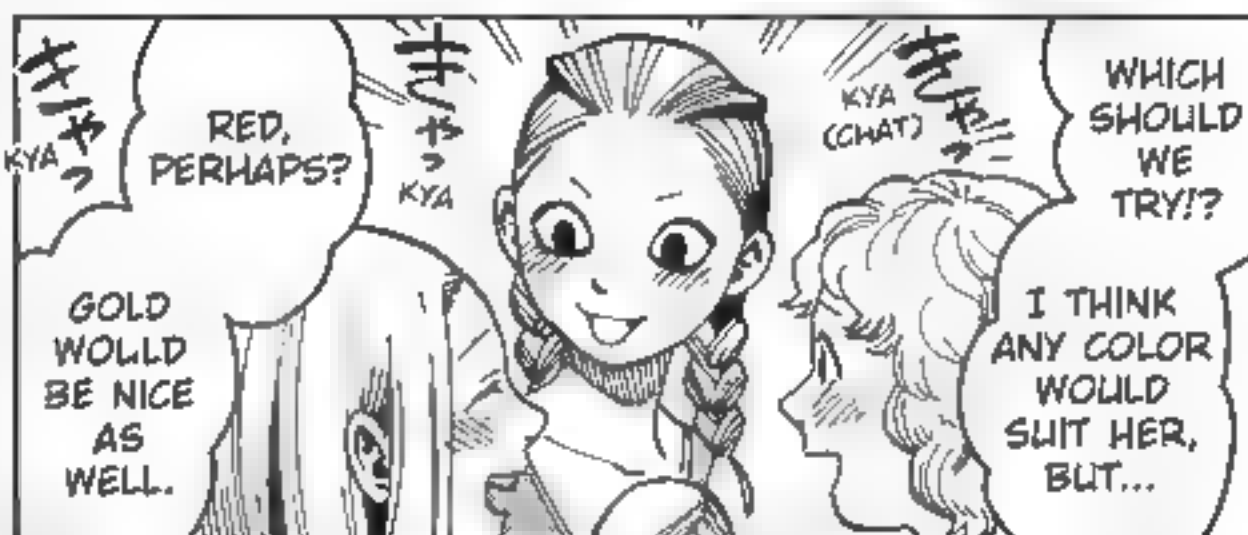
WELL,
I'LL
BE...

WE
GIVE
SOME
TO THE
FORCES

STILL,
WITHOUT
FIELDS,
WE'D HAVE
NOTHING TO
DO, SO...

EVEN
IF WE'RE
JUST GOING
THROUGH
THE MOTIONS,
WE LIVE LIKE
WE DID
ABOVE-
GROUND.

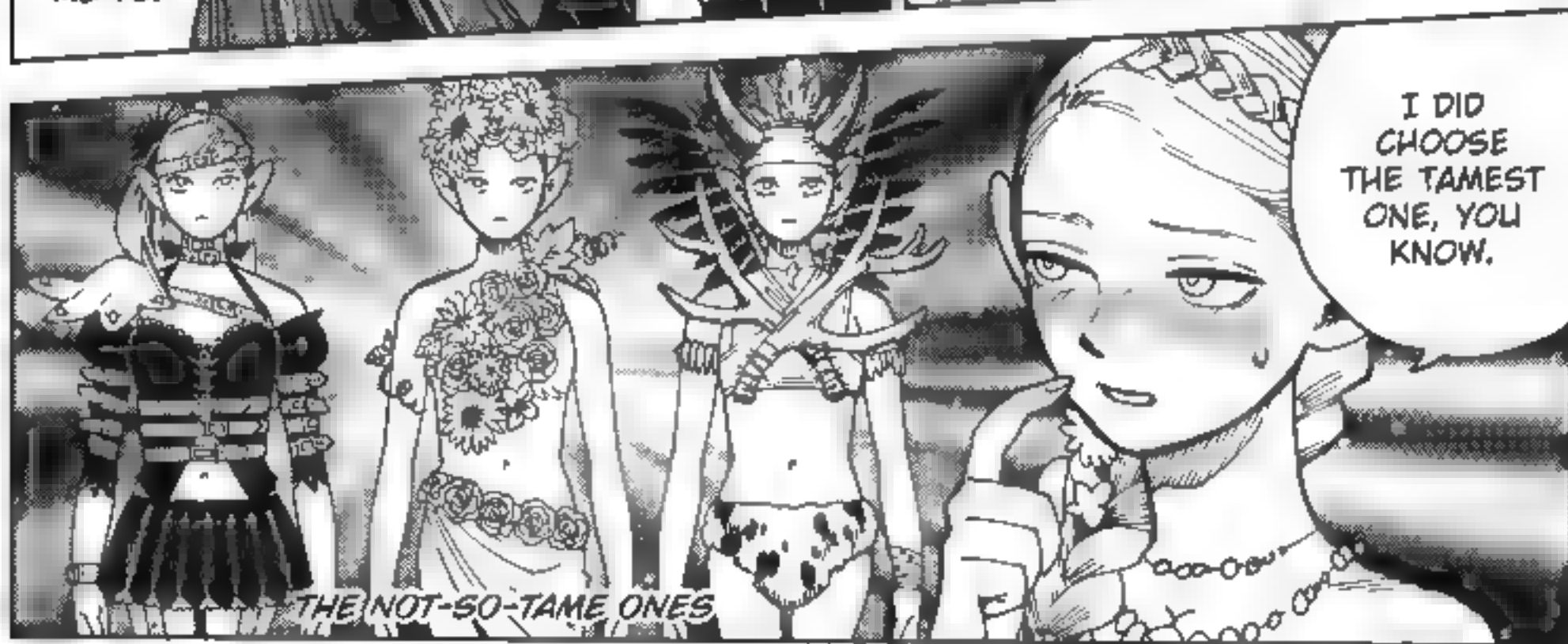


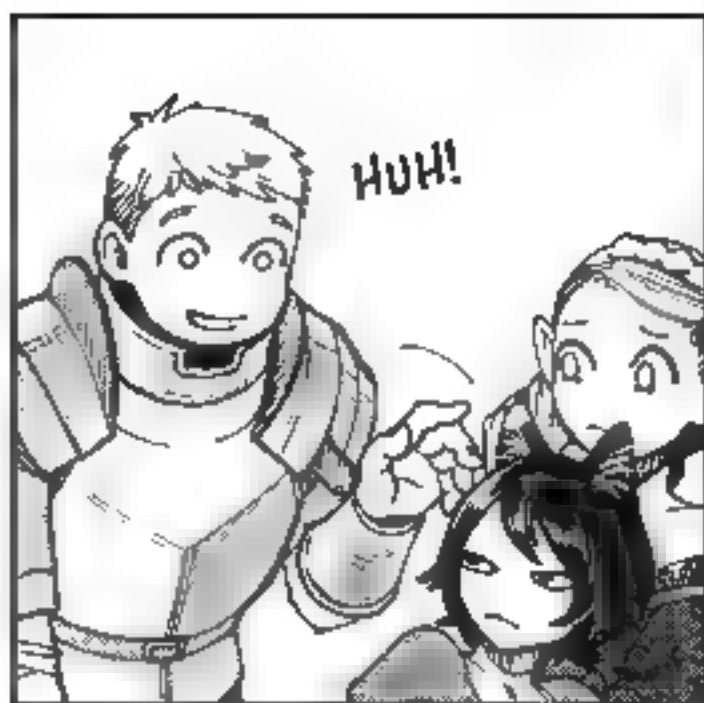


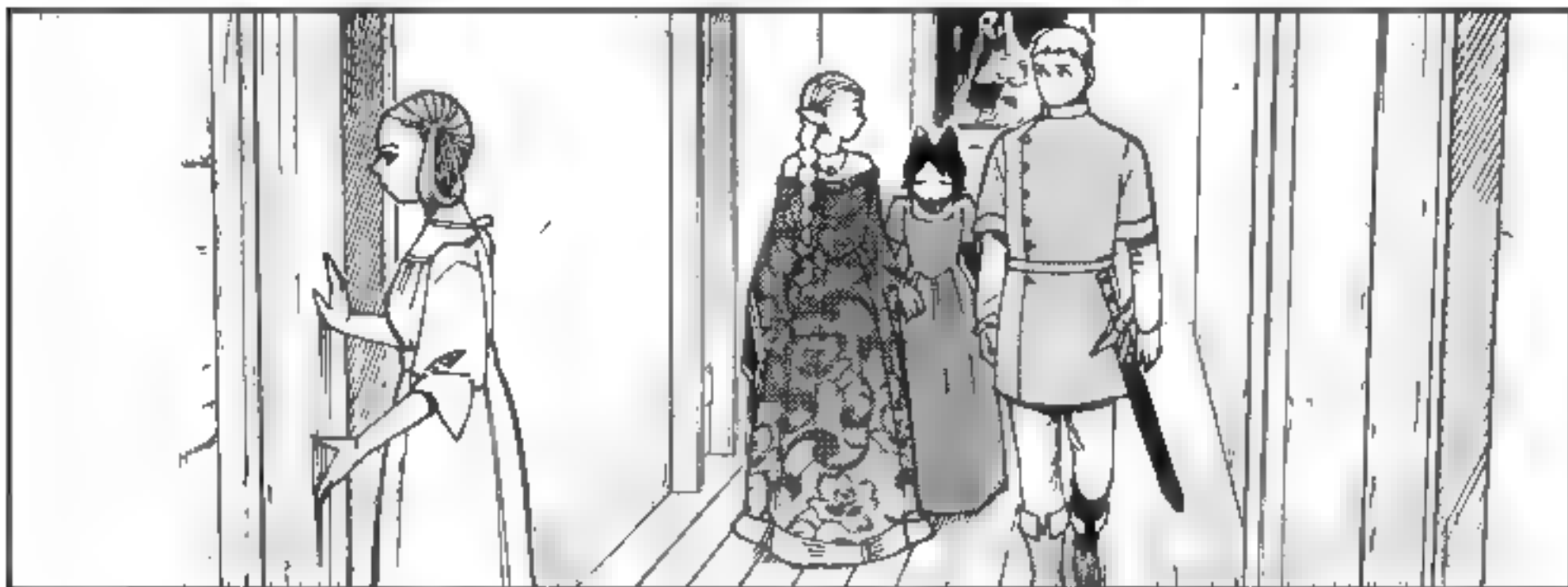
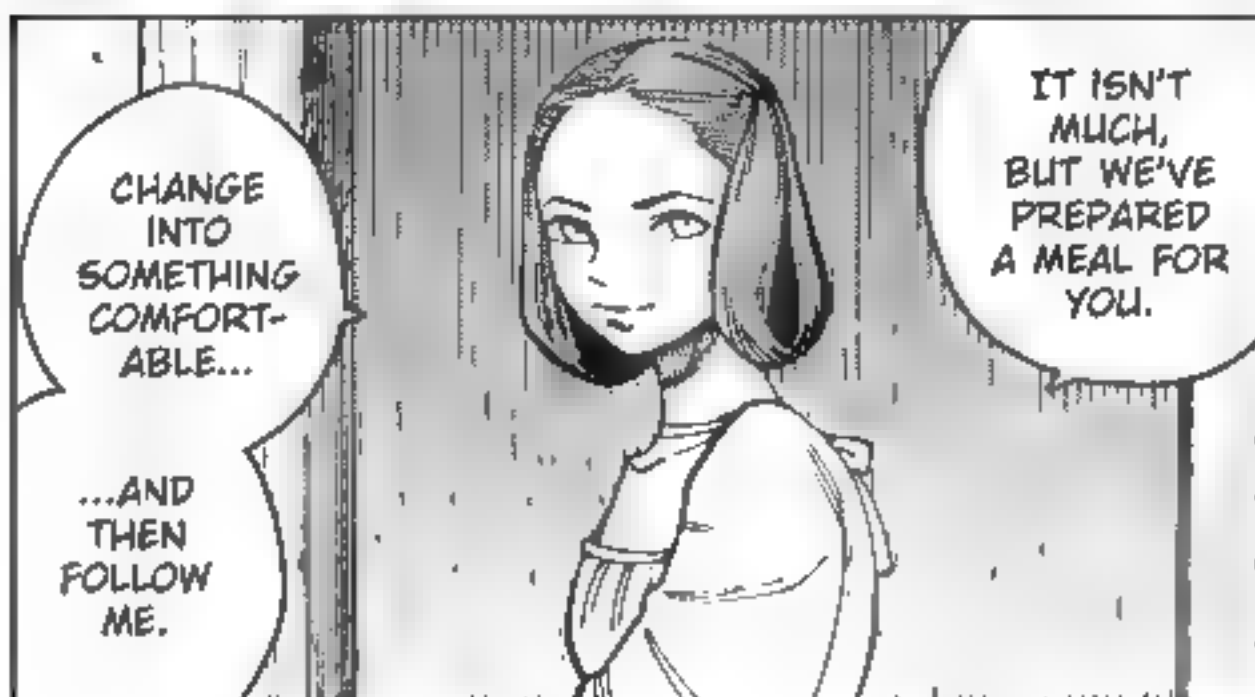
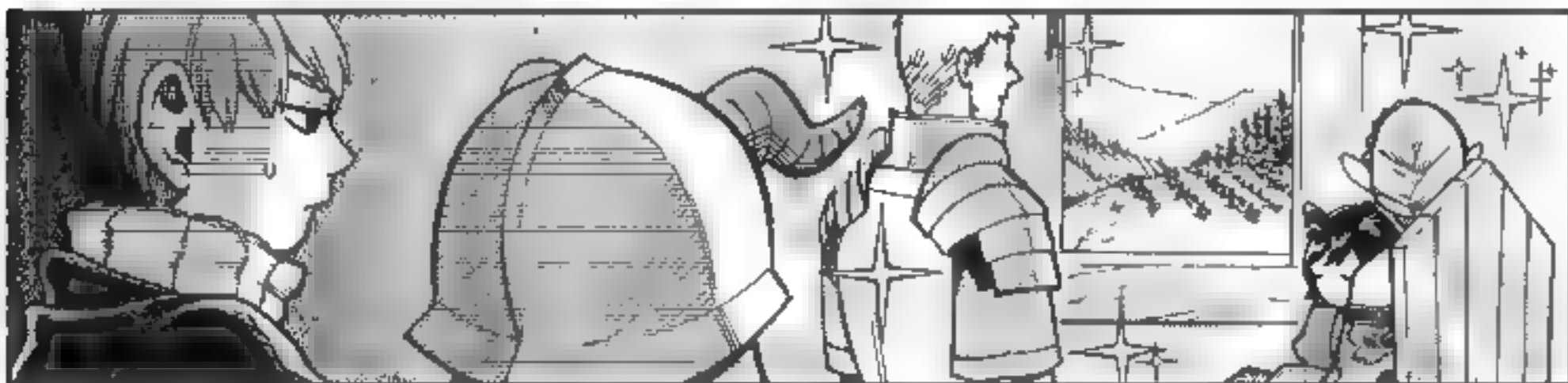


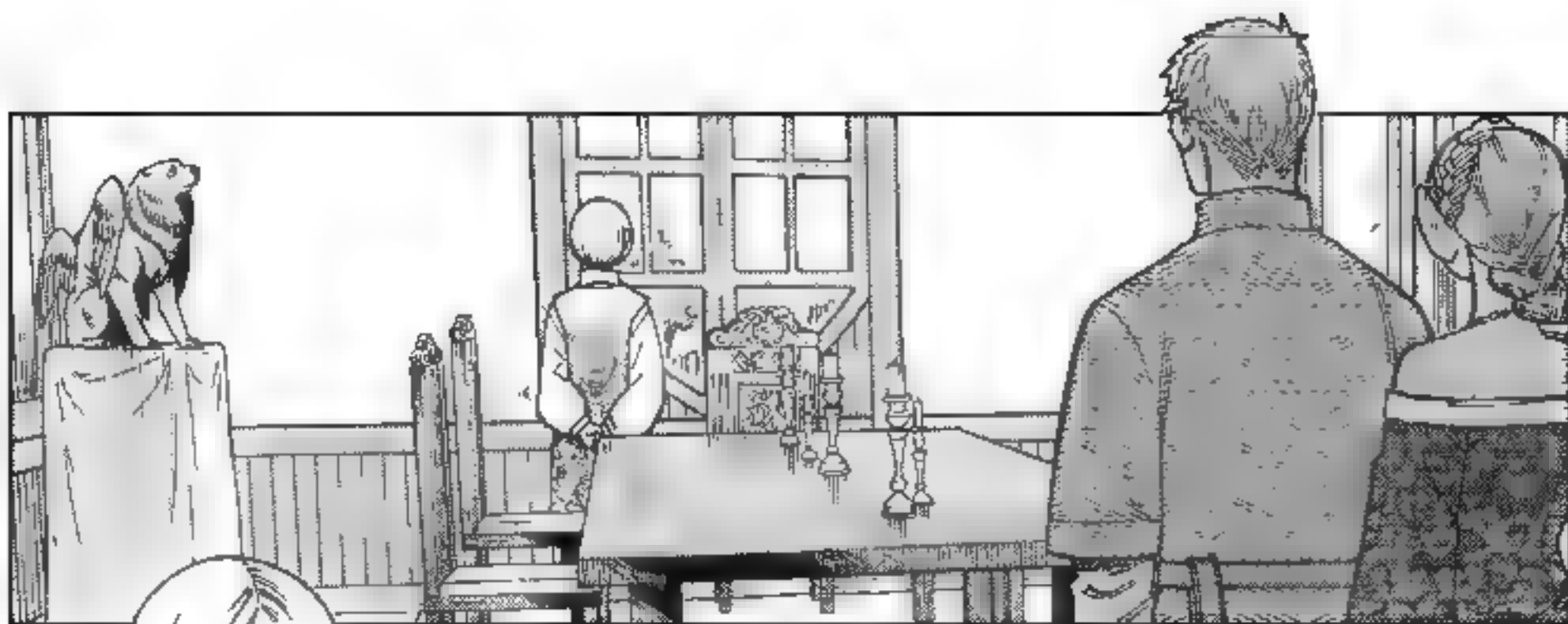












I'VE
WANTED
TO MEET
YOU.

AH.
WELCOME.

I BELIEVE
YOU
KNOW OF
DELGAL.

HE'S MY
GRAND-
FATHER.

MY
NAME IS
YAAD.



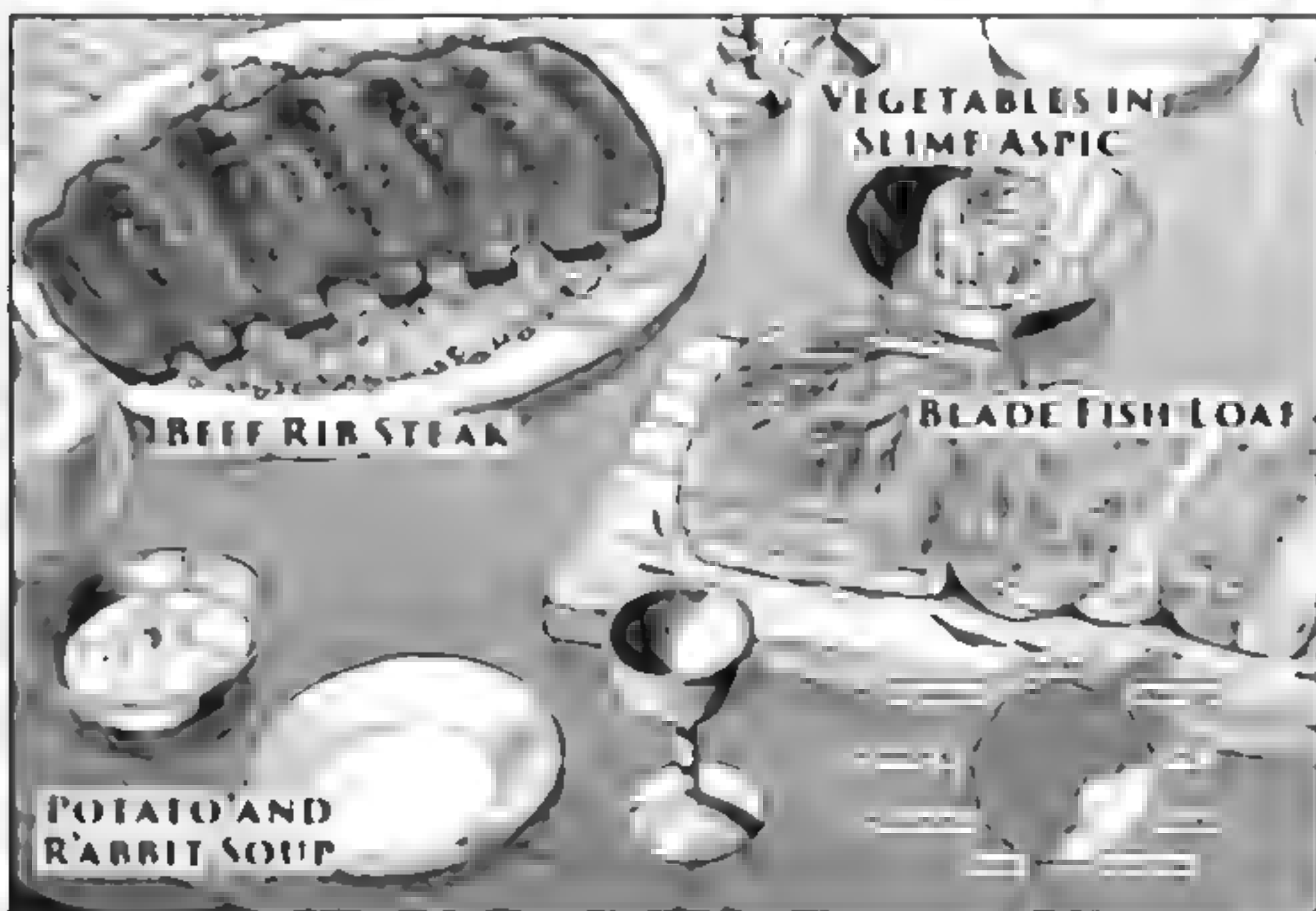
WE
CAN TALK
AT OUR
LEISURE...

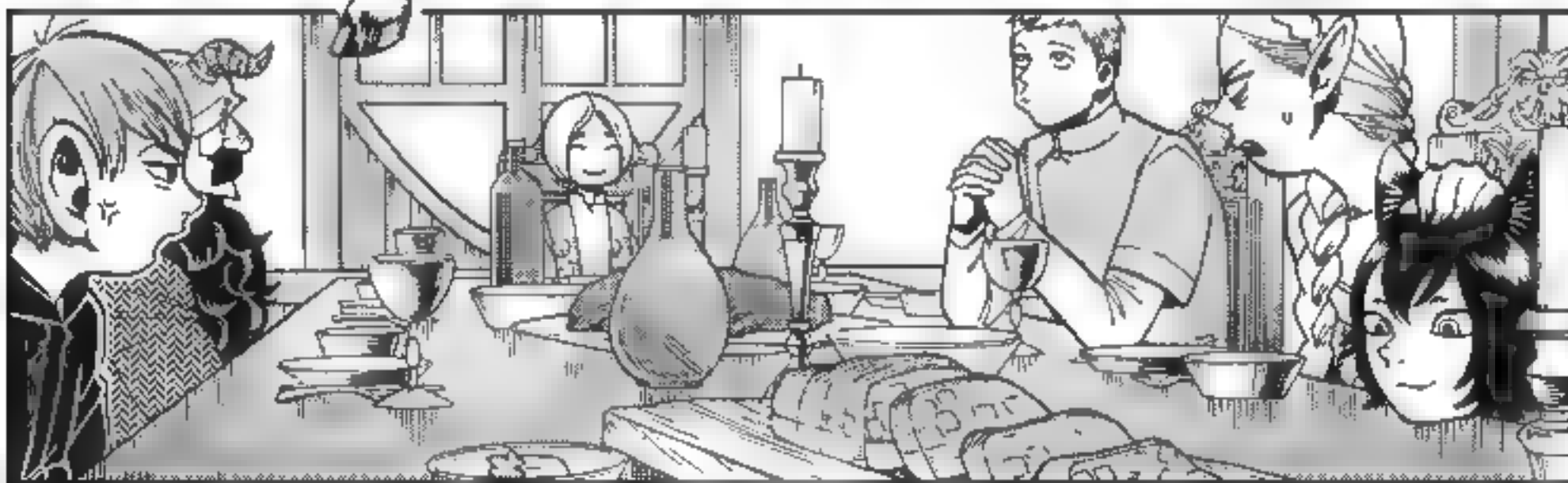
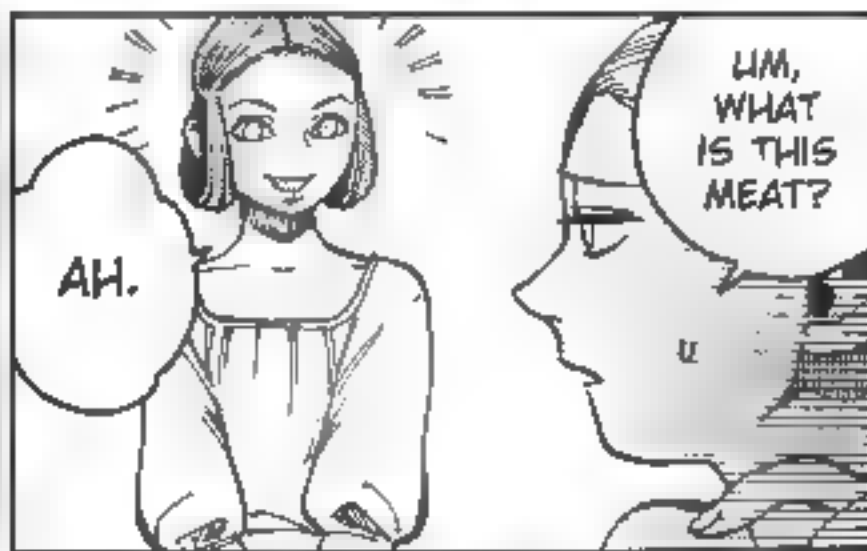
...ABOUT
WHY I
CALLED YOU
HERE.

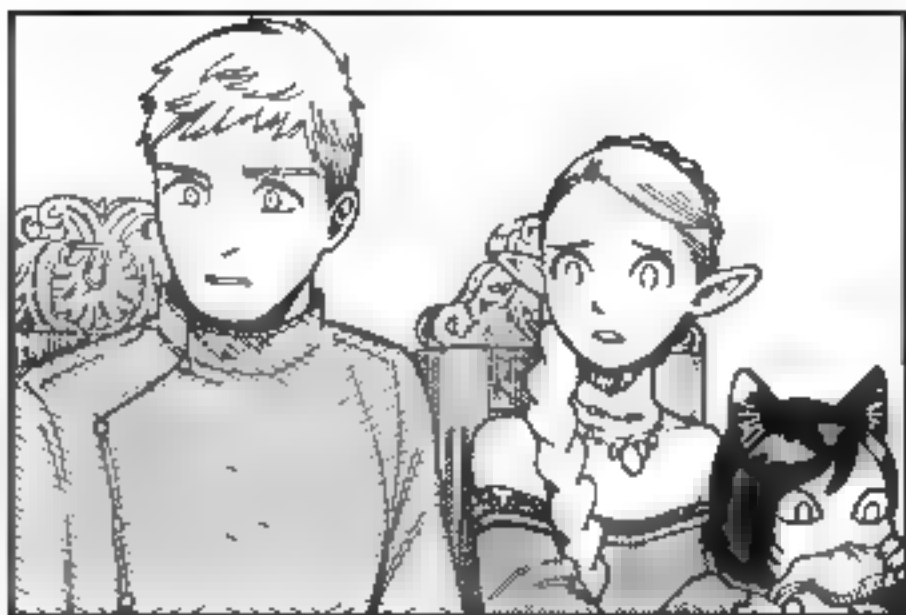
PLEASE
HAVE A
SEAT.



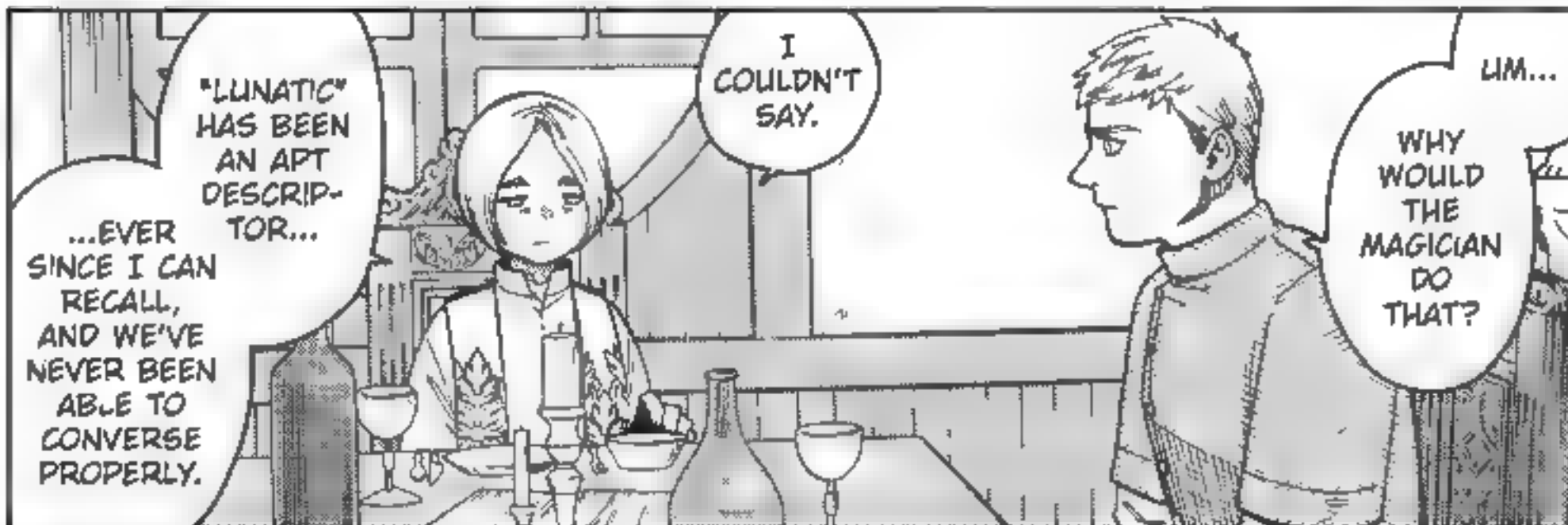
DELGAL
...







...THAT
THE
LUNATIC
MAGICIAN
CAST ON
US.



...EVER
SINCE I CAN
RECALL,
AND WE'VE
NEVER BEEN
ABLE TO
CONVERSE
PROPERLY.

"LUNATIC"
HAS BEEN
AN APT
DESCRIP-
TOR...

I
COULDN'T
SAY.

WHY
WOULD
THE
MAGICIAN
DO
THAT?

UM...



WE
CAN'T VERY
WELL SAY
WE DON'T
WANT TO
EAT THIS
NOW.



EVEN
IF WE
HAVE NO
APPETITE,
IT'S NICE
TO SEE
OTHERS
EAT.



THEN HE
SET OFF
FOR THE
WORLD
ABOVE,
TO FIND
HELP.



MY GRAND-
FATHER
SPENT
AGES
AGONIZING
OVER THE
FACT THAT
HE HAD
TURNED...

...THE
LUNATIC
MAGICIAN'S
FOCUS
TO BLACK
MAGIC.



...HE
TURNED
TO DUST.

HE SAID
HE WAS THE
KING OF
A RUINED
KINGDOM...

AND THAT
IT WOULD
ALL BELONG
TO WHOEVER
DEFEATED
THE LUNATIC
MAGICIAN.
AND THEN...

FROM
WHAT I
HEAR...

..HE
APPEARED
FROM THE
VILLAGE'S
UNDER-
GROUND
GRAVE-
YARD.

ABOVE-
GROUND...

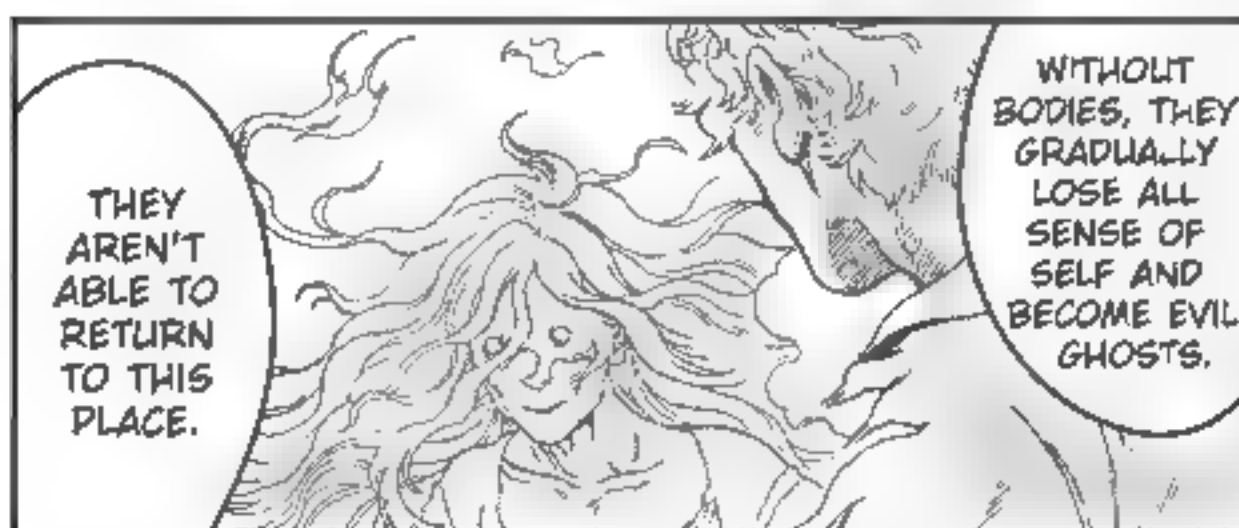
...WHAT
DO THEY
SAY OF MY
GRAND-
FATHER
DELGAL?



HOWEVER,
NONE HAVE
SUCCEEDED.

THEY
MERELY
LOSE THEIR
PHYSICAL
BODIES.

MANY HAVE
TRIED TO
ESCAPE THE
SPELL BY
LEAVING THE
VILLAGE.



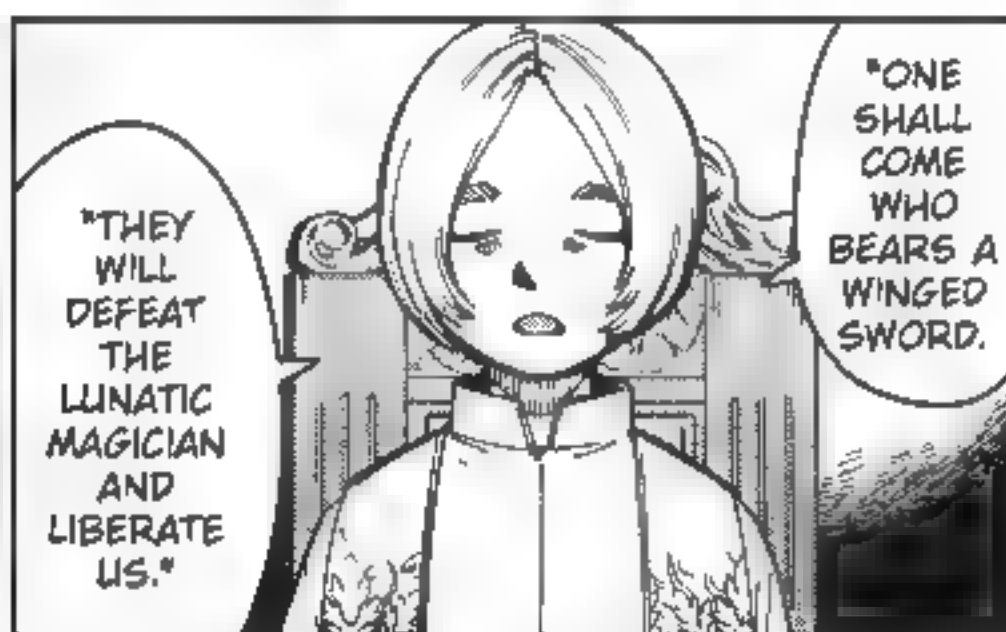
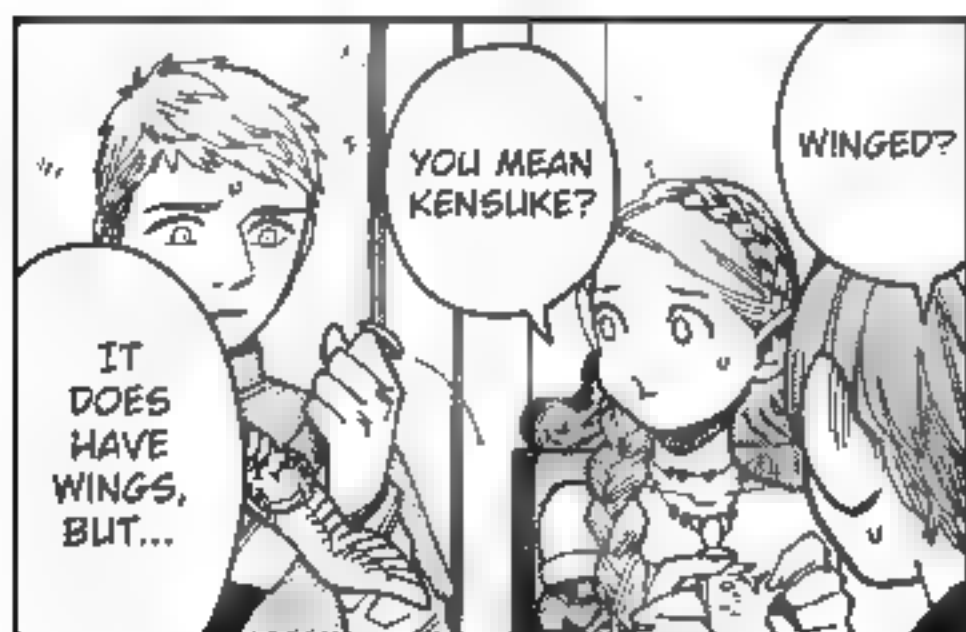
THEY
AREN'T
ABLE TO
RETURN
TO THIS
PLACE.

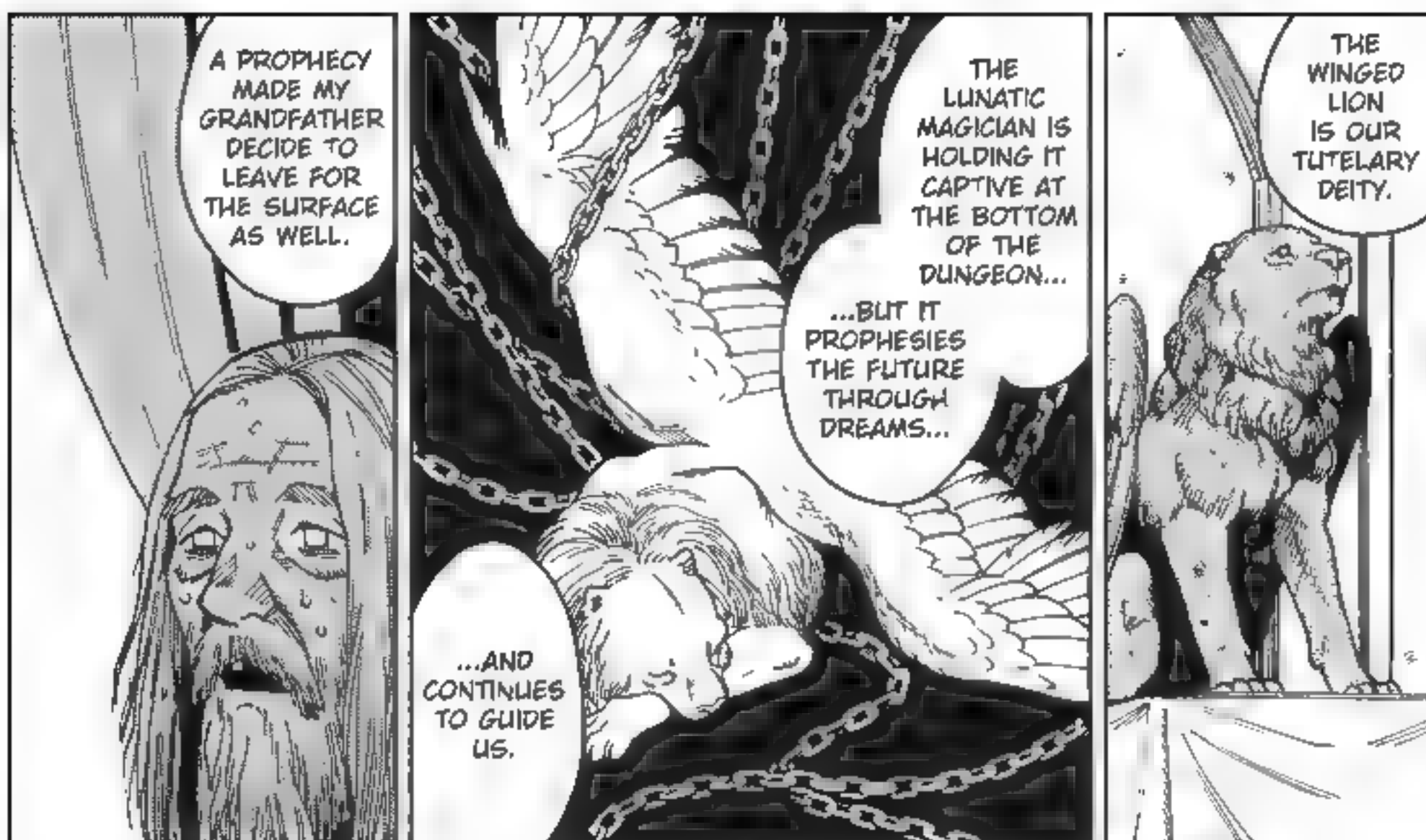
WITHOUT
BODIES, THEY
GRADUALLY
LOSE ALL
SENSE OF
SELF AND
BECOME EVIL
GHOSTS.

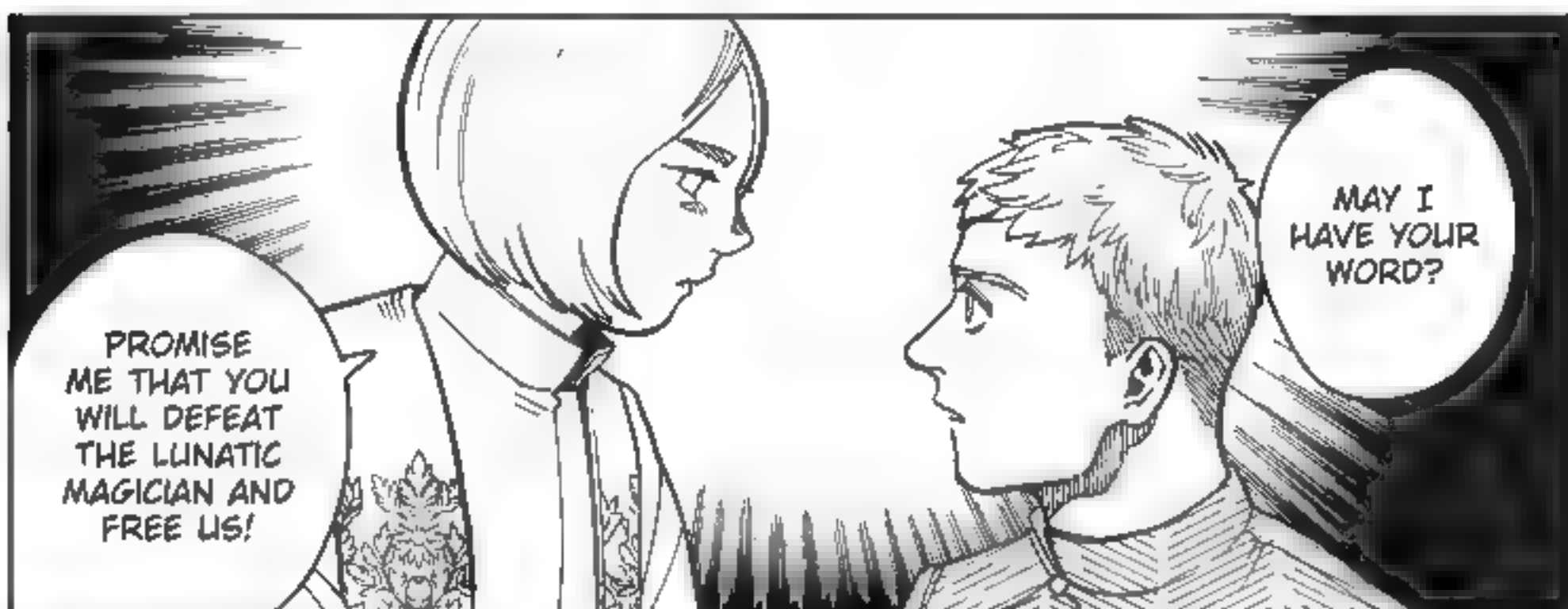


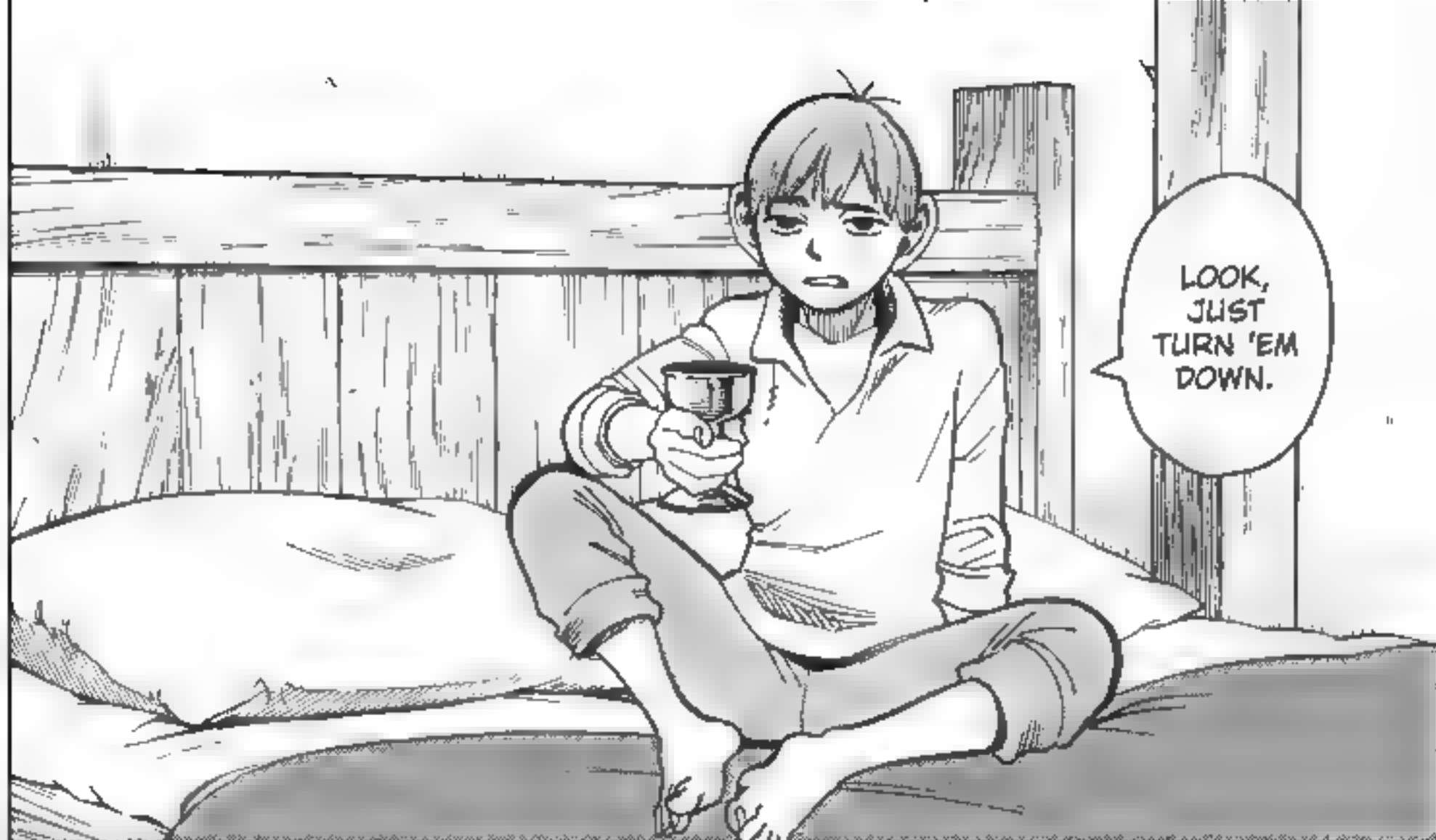
DID
HE...?

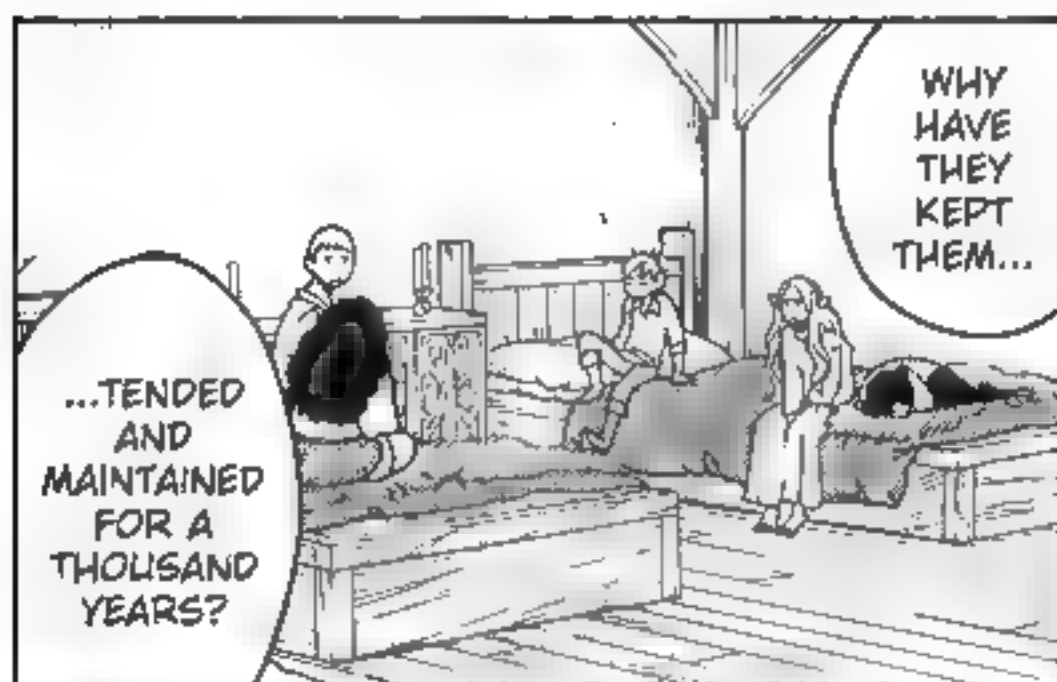
THEN HE
HAS BEEN
FREED
FROM PAIN.
THAT'S ONE
CONSOLA-
TION.







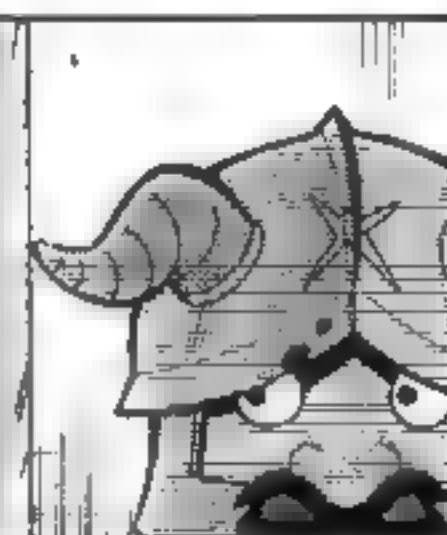
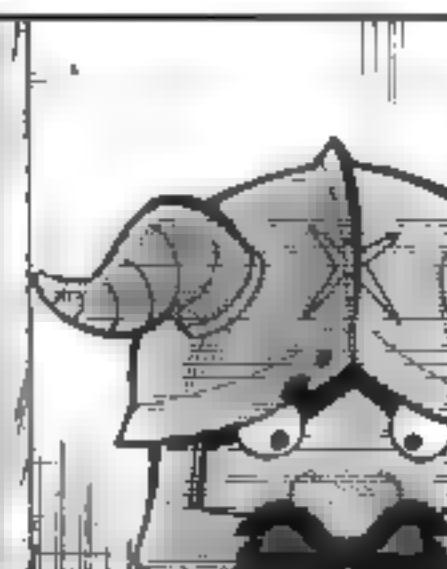
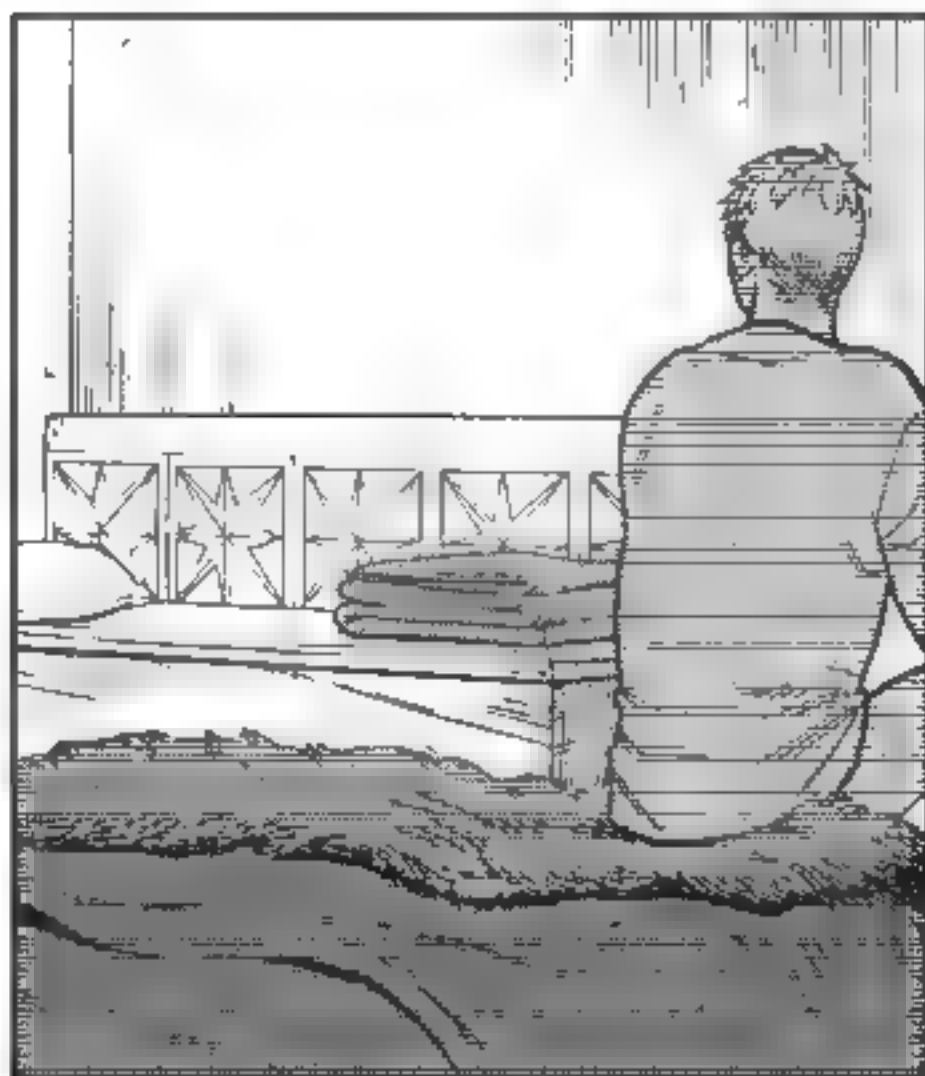


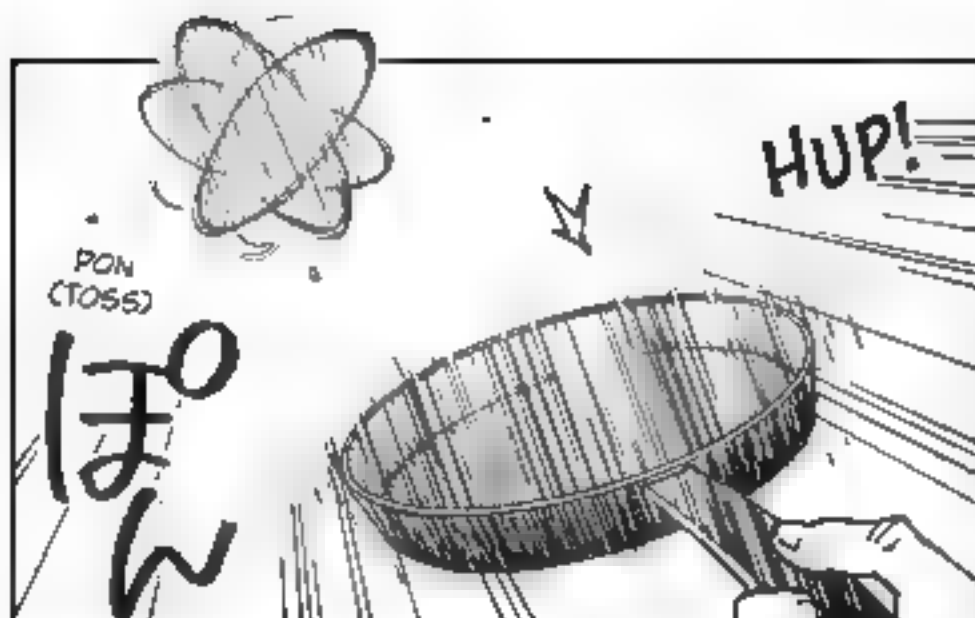


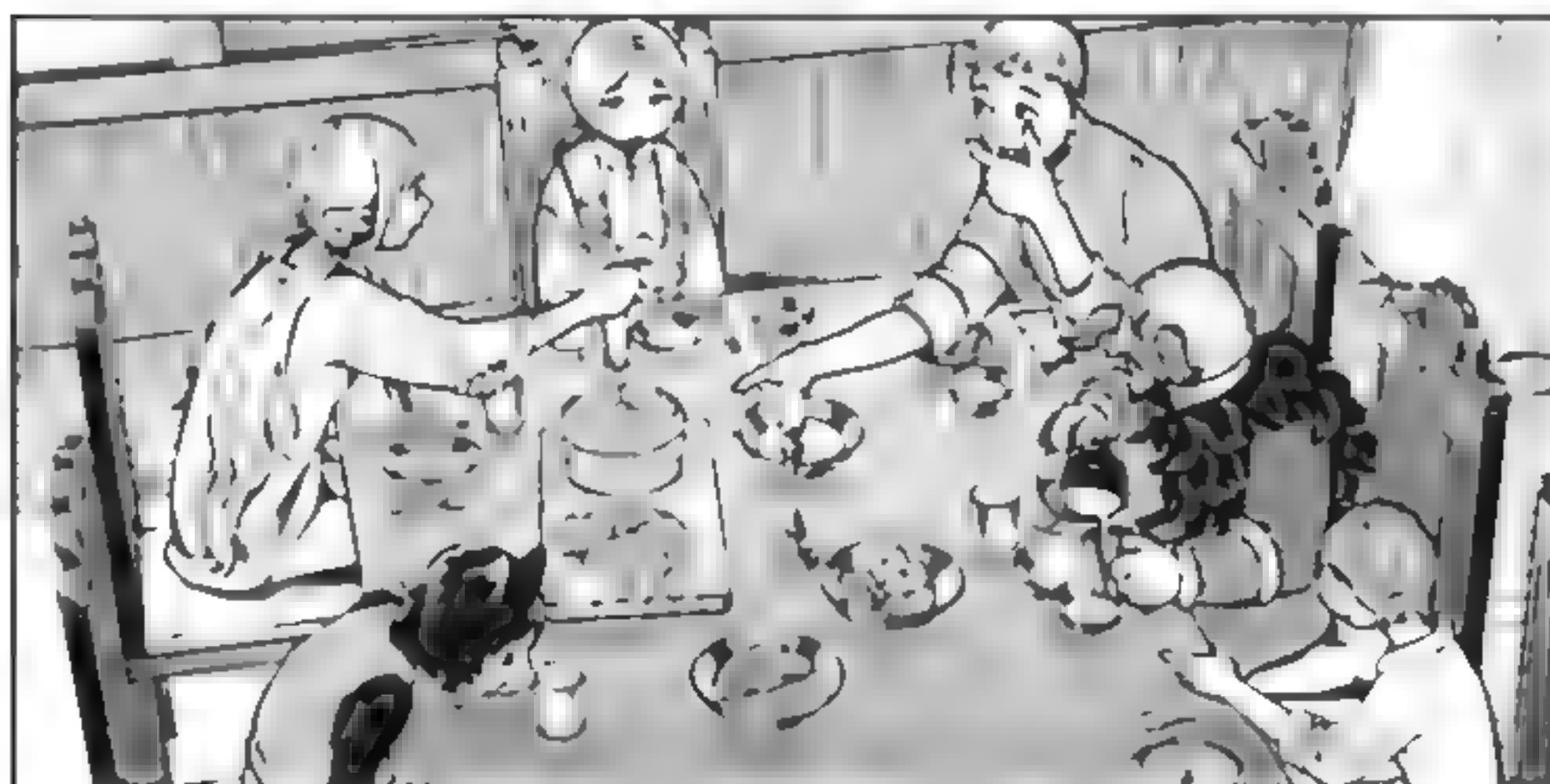
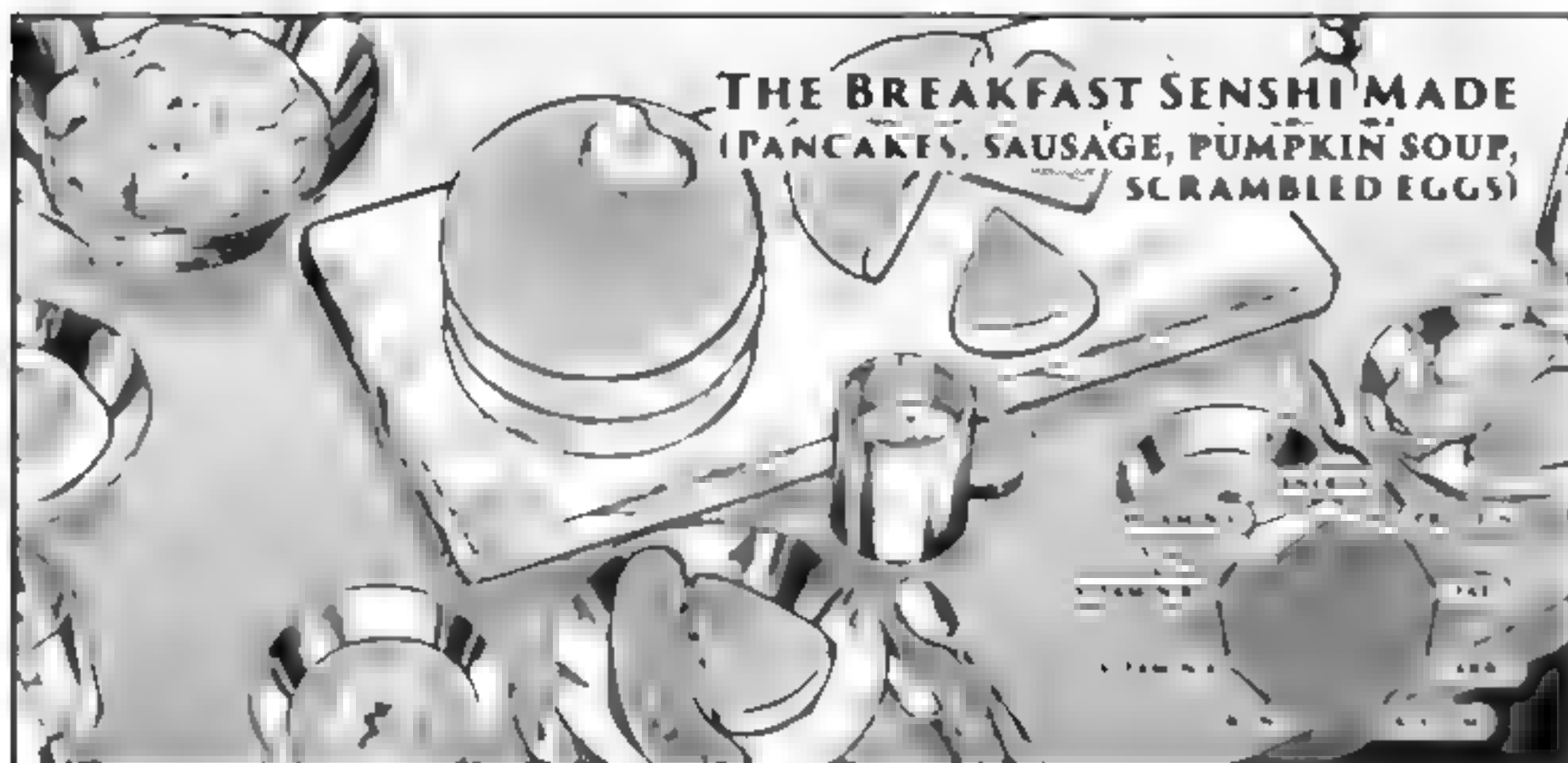


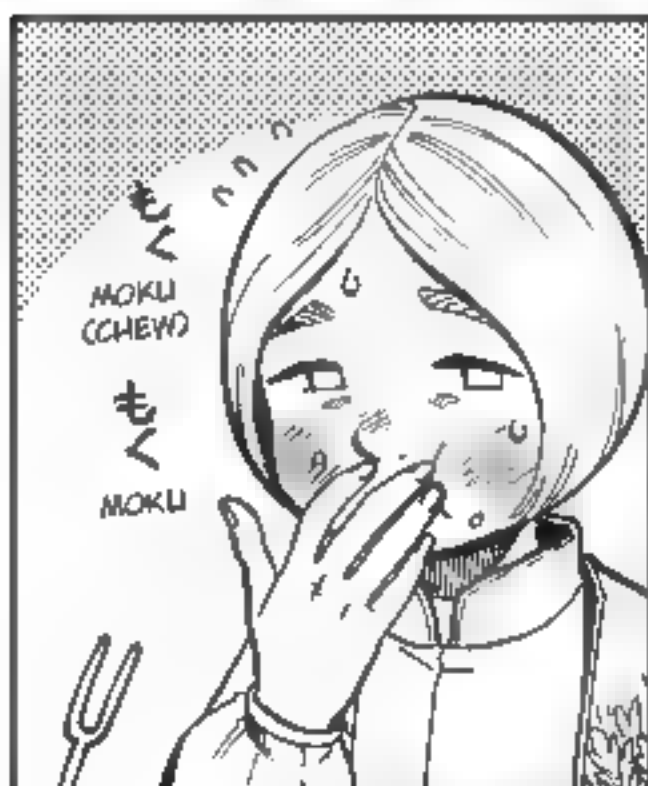
47. GRIFFIN

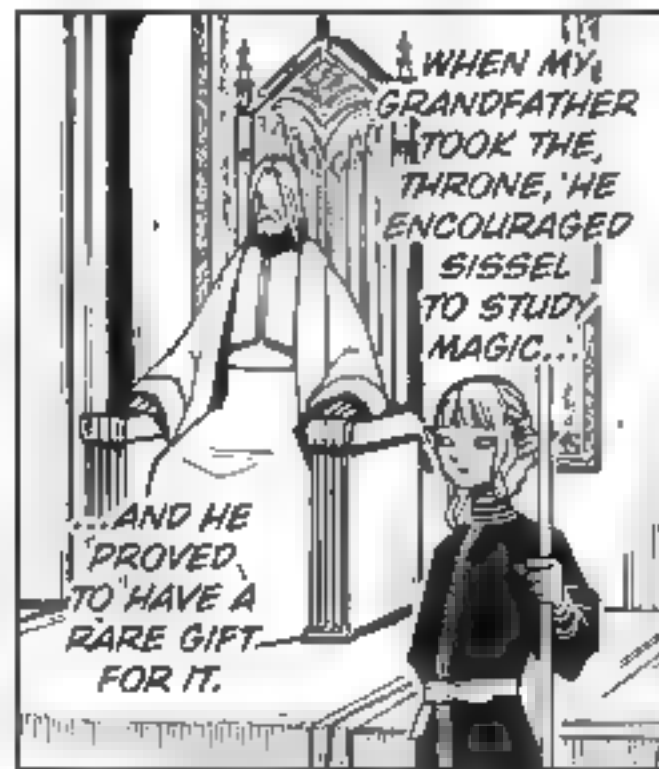
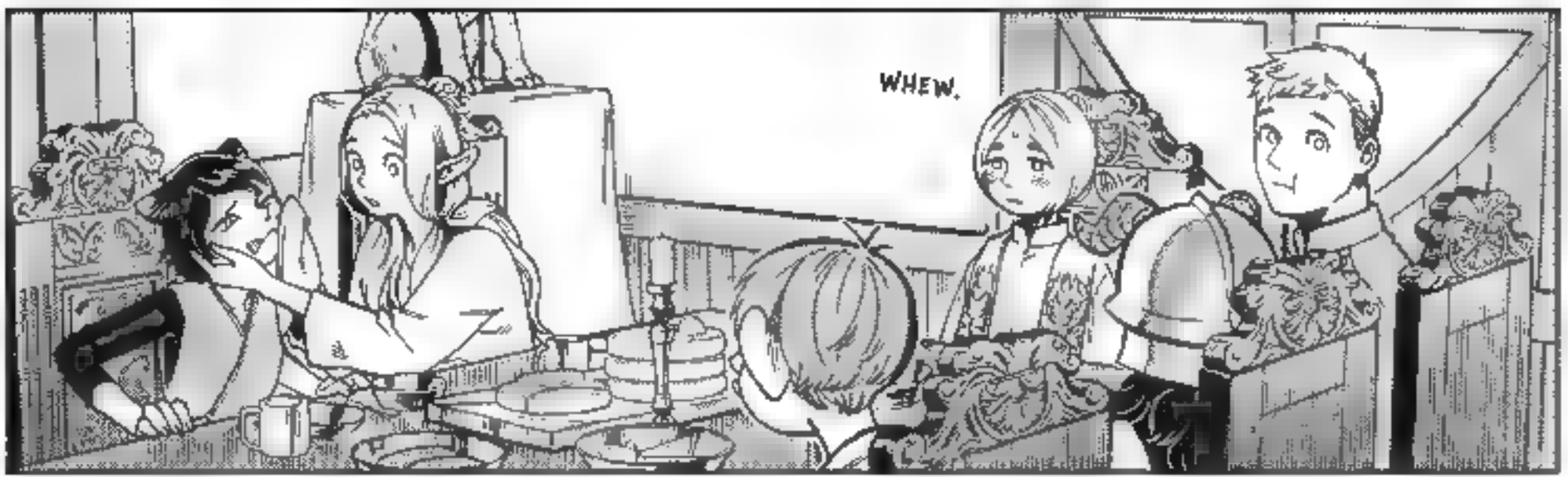














WE HAD A
HARD TIME
HELPING
MY GRAND-
FATHER
STEAL
AWAY.

SOME
WERE
EXECUTED
ON SUS-
PICION OF
ASSIST-
ING.



THAT'S
NOT EVEN
POSSIBLE.

HE
ISN'T
THE SORT
YOU CAN
HAVE A
PROPER
DISCUS-
SION
WITH.



ACTUALLY,
WE'D LIKE
TO TALK TO
HER—UH,
HIM.

WHERE
CAN WE
MEET
HIM?

GRK!

TALK
!?



THE
MAGICIAN'S
EYES ARE
GATHERING.
THEY'VE CAUGHT
WIND OF THE
CHANGE IN THE
VILLAGE.

THE
MAGICIAN
HIMSELF
WILL BE
HERE
BEFORE
LONG.



HAAAH...



...JUST
MEETING
HIM IS
SIMPLE.

LOOK
OUTSIDE.



...GET
HELP FROM
THE WINGED
LION TRAPPED
IN THE DEPTHS
OF THE
DUNGEON.

IT
SHOULD BE
POSSIBLE TO
CURB THE
MAGICIAN'S
POWER
THEN.



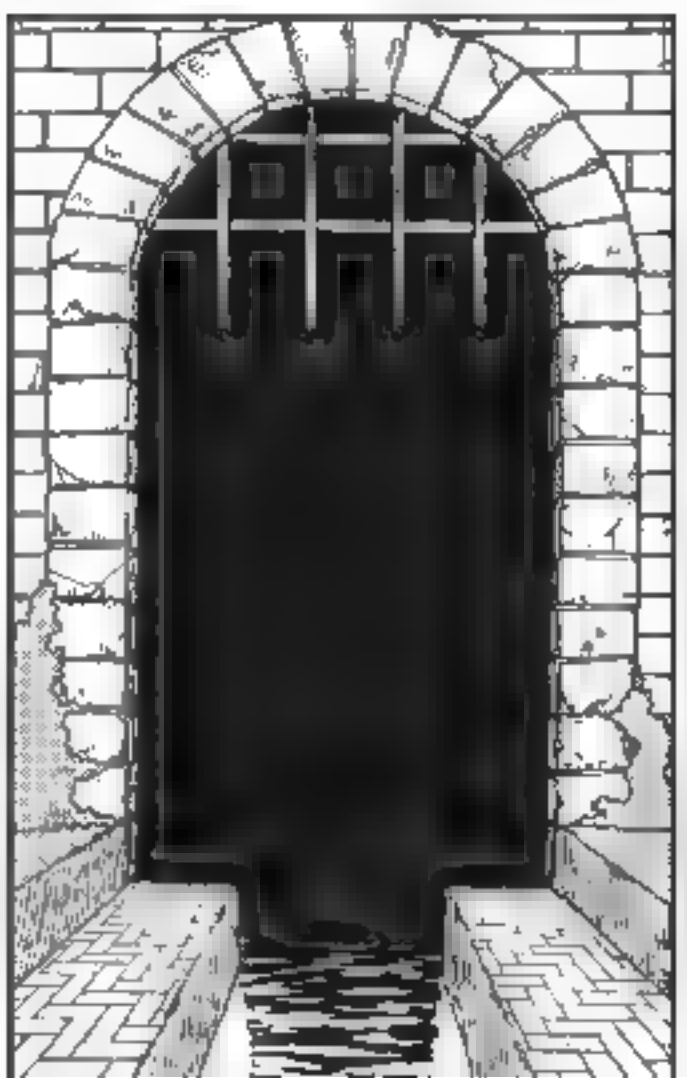
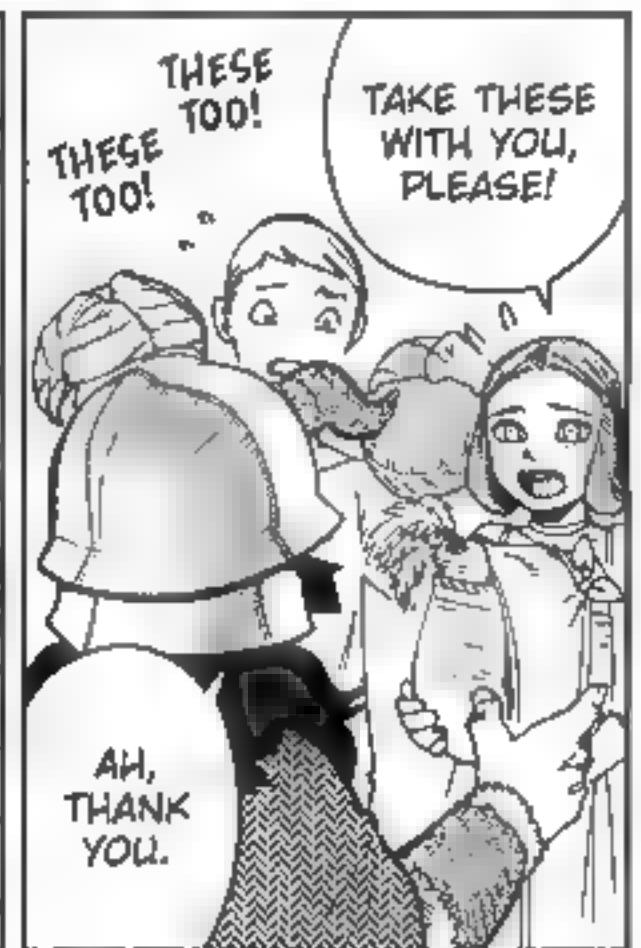
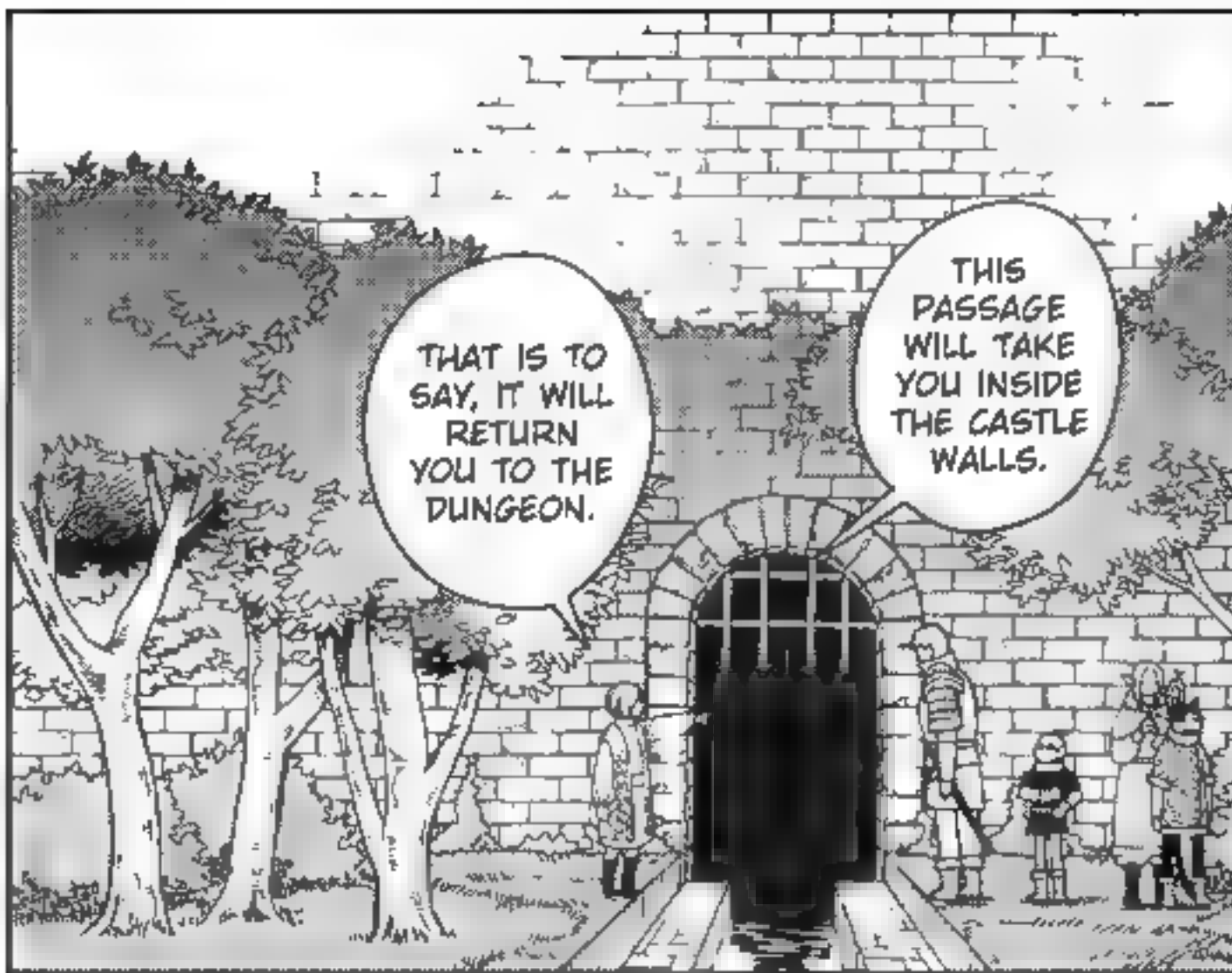
BUT
WE REALLY
NEED TO
DO THIS.

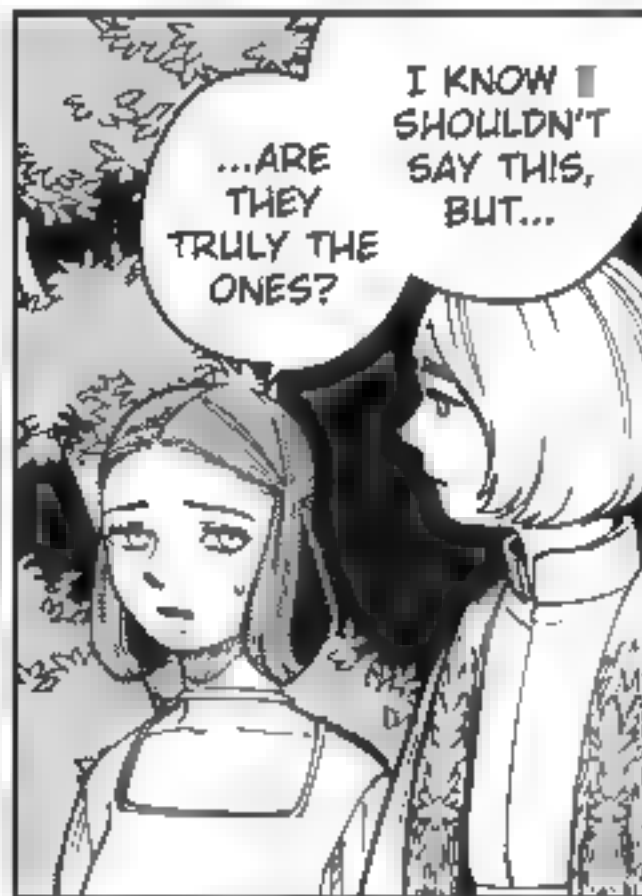
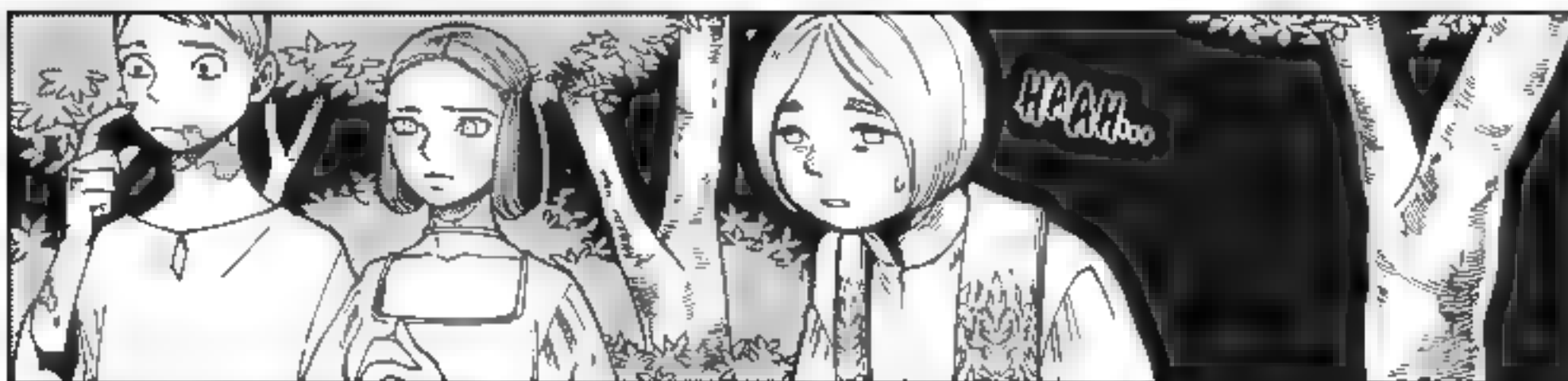
I DON'T
KNOW IF
YOU'LL
BE ABLE
TO TALK,
BUT...



THE
DUNGEON
IS LIKE HIS
HANDS
AND FEET.

YOU
KNOW HOW
TERRIBLE
ITS POWER
IS.



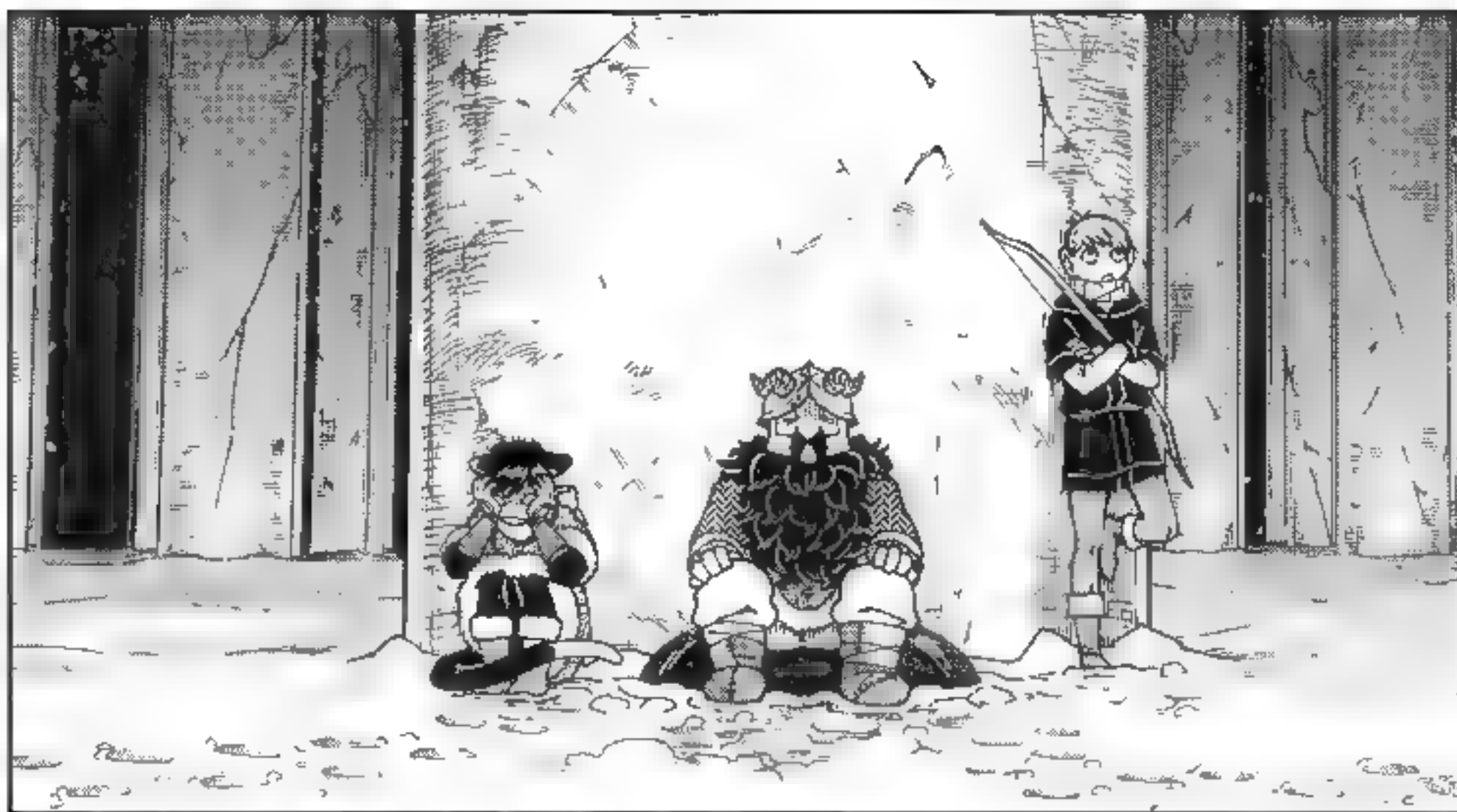


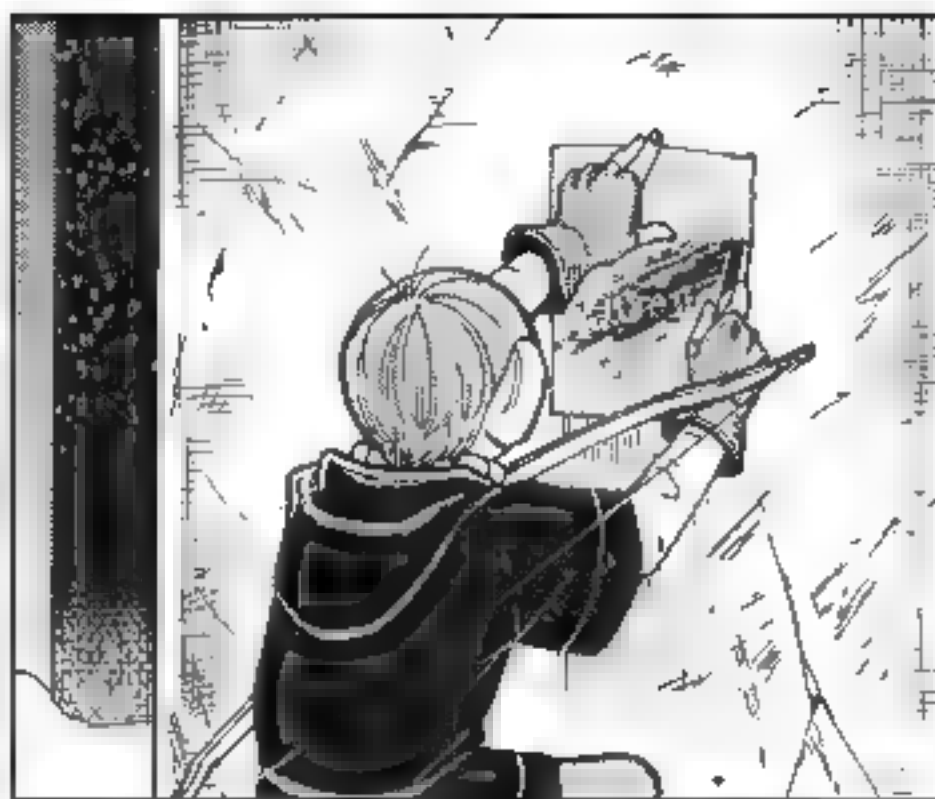




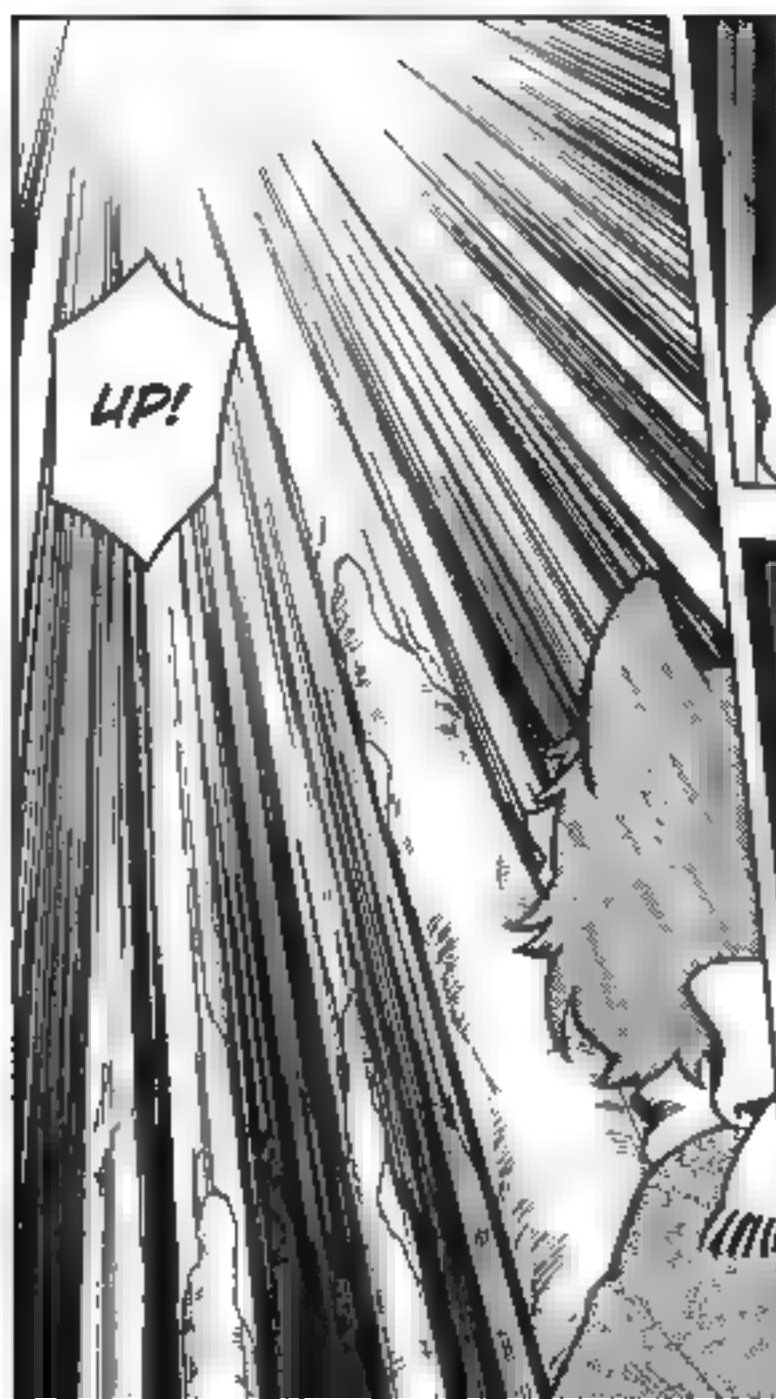
DWARFS...





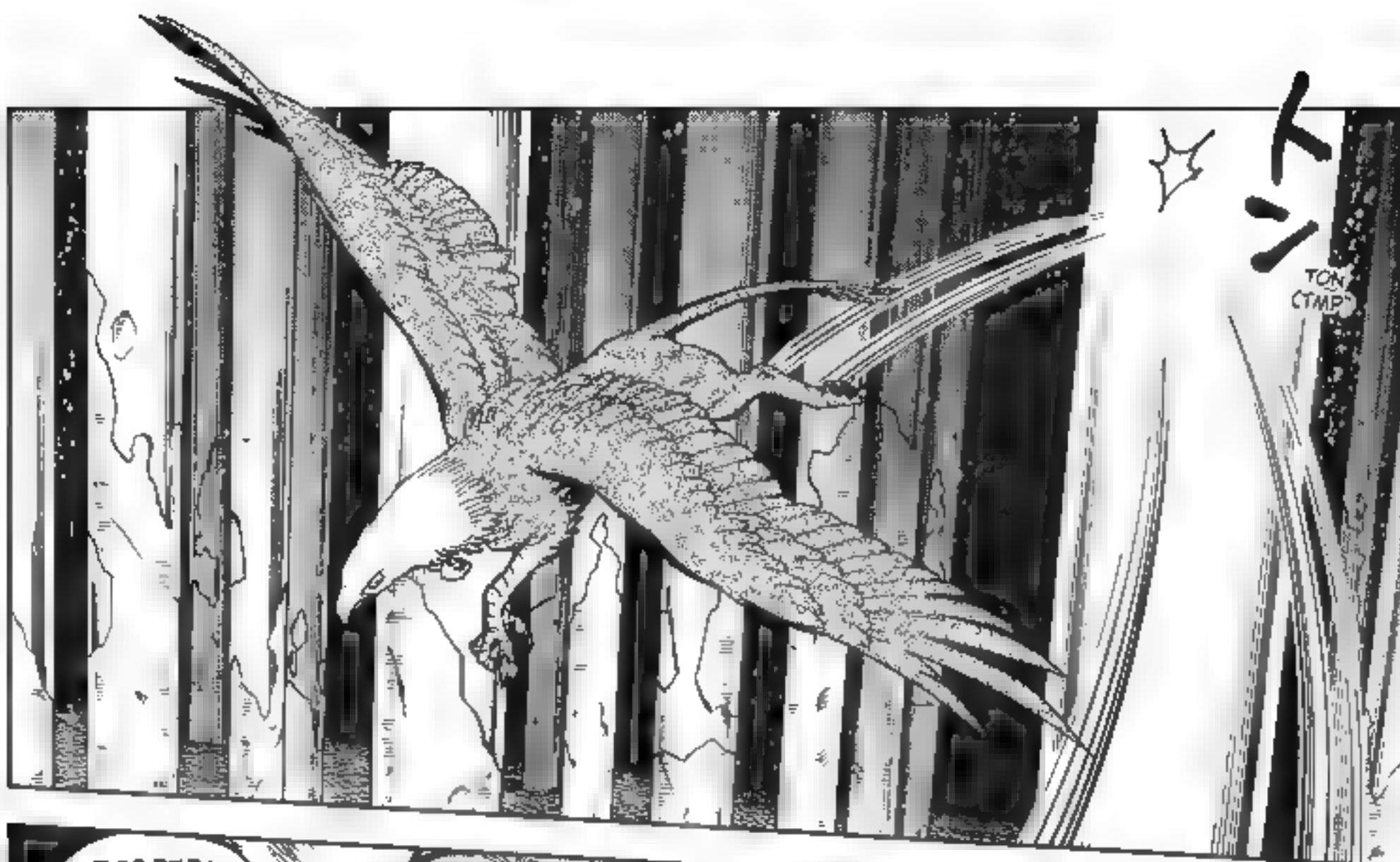


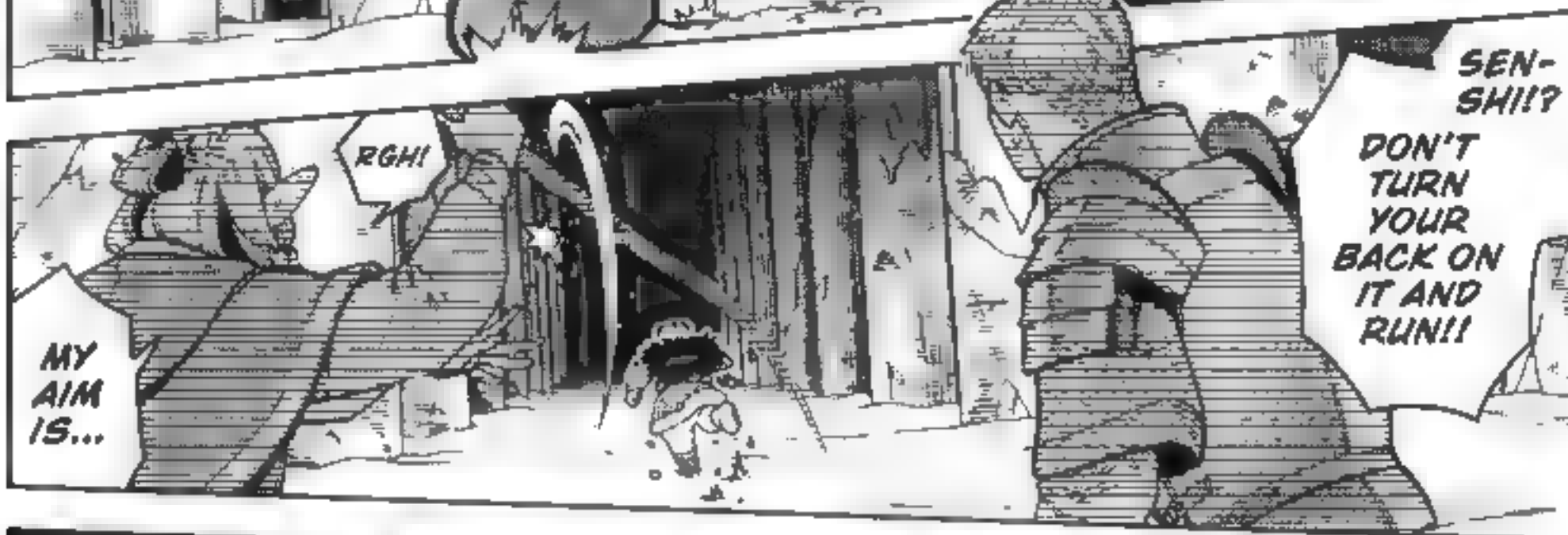












SEN-SHI!!?

DON'T
TURN
YOUR
BACK ON
IT AND
RUN!!

RGHI

MY
AIM
IS...





OUR HOMETOWN
IS FARTHER NORTH,
ACROSS THE SEA.
IT'S A BORING PLACE
WITH NOTHING BUT
MOUNTAINS AND
SNOW

EVERYONE
COMES TO THE
ISLAND THROUGH THIS
NEIGHBORING TOWN. IT'S
THE BIGGEST ONE IN THE
AREA. THE MAGIC SCHOOL
FALIN AND I WENT TO IS
THERE TOO.

THE ISLAND
COMPOUND-
TYPE DUNGEON
DISCOVERED
IN 507

THE ISLAND
COMPOUND-
TYPE DUNGEON
DISCOVERED
IN 507

THE ISLAND
COMPOUND-
TYPE DUNGEON
DISCOVERED
IN 507

MERINI
VILLAGE

WE CAME
FROM A CITY ON
THE CONTINENT THAT
LIES NORTHWEST OF
HERE. OF THE HUMAN
RACES THERE, 80%
ARE ELVES. 20% ARE
"OTHER."

IT'S A
BIG TOWN.
THE EAST OF HERE
HUMAN AND
DEMONS ARE
STILL FIGHTING
OVER THE
TERRITORY.

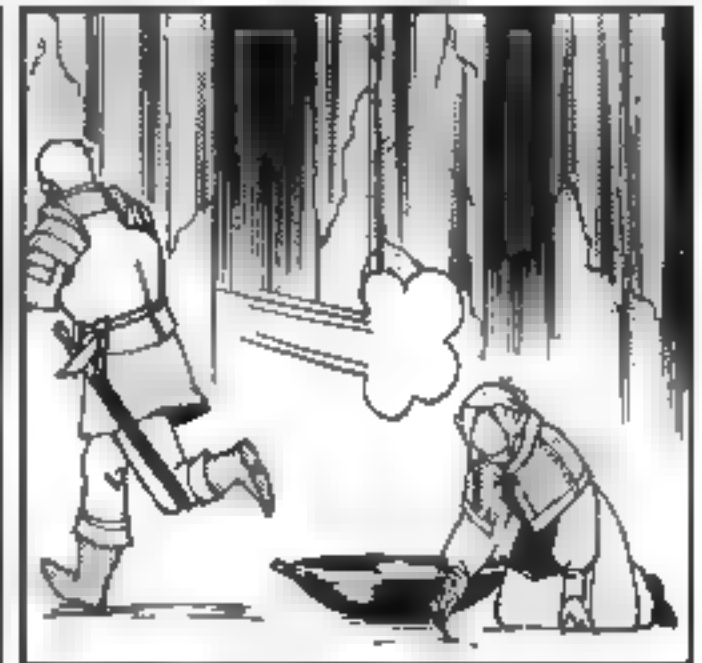
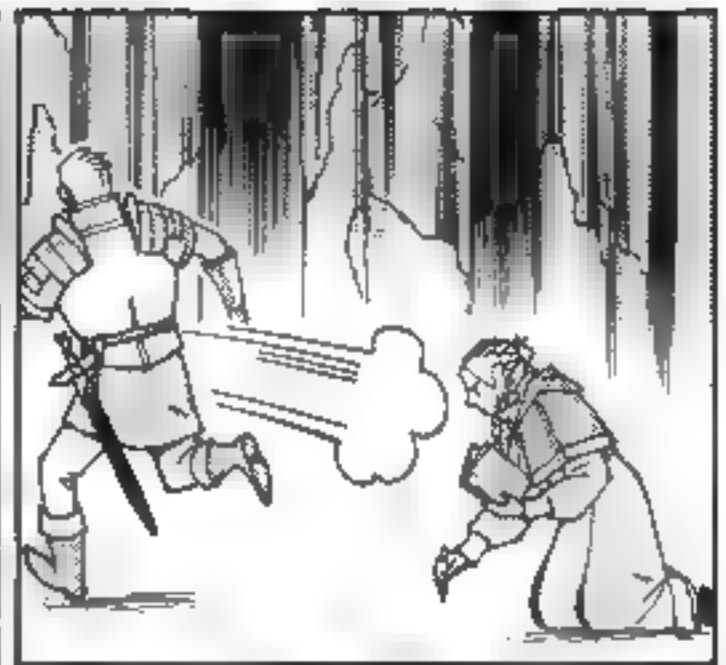
THE EASTERN
ISLANDS ARE SCATTERED
TO THE SOUTHEAST OF HERE
THERE AREN'T MANY LONG-
LIVED RACES, AND THERE'S
CONSTANT INTERNAL STRIFE
AND WARS BETWEEN
ISLANDS.

TOWER OF NIGHT CRIES
BHOME-STYLE DUNGEON
CAPTURED AND BEING
DISCOVERED
IN 507











WHAT'S HIS
OBSESSION
WITH FOOD
ABOUT?

HOW'D
HE JOIN
YOUR
GROUP?



.....



HEY.

WHAT
IS THAT
OLD GUY
ANYWAY?



BUT...



WE JUST
HAVEN'T
HAD THE
CHANCE, I
GUESS.

NONE OF
US WANTS
TO TALK
ABOUT OUR
PRIVATE
LIVES.



HUH
!?

WAIT—
DON'T
TELL
ME YOU
DON'T
KNOW!

AFTER
YOU
ACTED
SO
CHUMMY
!?



TEN
YEARS!

HAS IT
EVEN BEEN
HERE THAT
LONG?

BUT
THEY ONLY
DISCOVERED
THE
DUNGEON
SIX YEARS
AGO.

THAT'S,
UH...

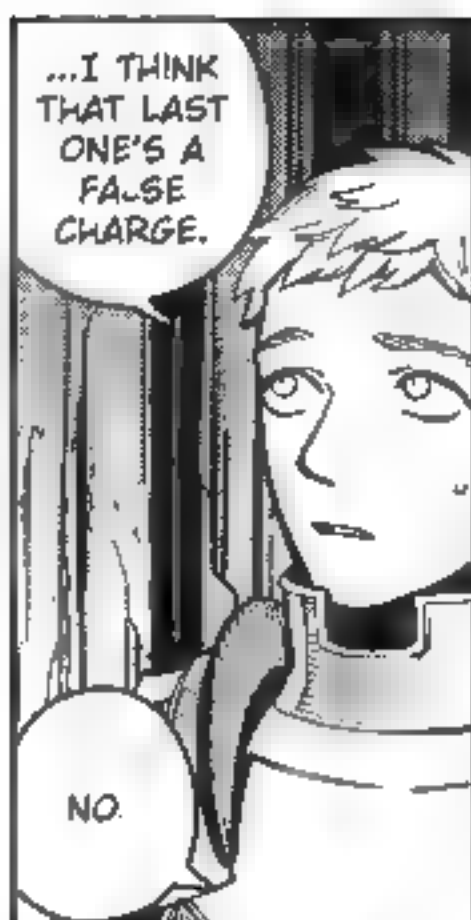
REMEMBER
WHAT HE
SAID BACK
WHEN WE
MET HIM?

ABOUT
HOW HE'D
BEEN COOKING
MONSTERS
HERE FOR
OVER A
DECADE?



...IF I SAID
I WASN'T
CURIOUS,
I'D BE
LYING.

LOTS
OF WHAT
SENSHI
DOES IS
ODD.



...I THINK THAT LAST ONE'S A FALSE CHARGE.

NO.



DRYAD MAY NEVER HAPPEN THE FIRST TIME EITHER

THE WAY HE'S ABNORMALLY SCARED OF MONSTERS ON A FLOOR HE CAN'T HAVE BEEN TO BEFORE.

ALSO ...

...THE WAY HE HAS POTS AND KNIVES MADE OF VALUABLE METALS.

THE FACT THAT HE READS AN ANCIENT DWARF CODE.

AND HE INSISTS ON TREATING ME LIKE A KID.



A CHILD.

BUT THAT'S ONLY IN A FEW REGIONS, LIKE THE EAST.

IF HE'S LIVED HERE FOR TEN YEARS, HE SHOULD KNOW.



THEY DON'T REALIZE HALF-FOOTS ARE A RACE.

THEY ASSUME WE'LL TURN INTO TALL-MEN OR DWARFS WHEN WE GROW UP.

PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW US MAKE THAT MISTAKE A LOT.

I NOTICED WHEN ISUTSUMI YANKED MY CHAIN ABOUT IT



ONCE WE RESCUE HIM...

...LET'S ASK HIM TO INTRODUCE HIMSELF AGAIN.

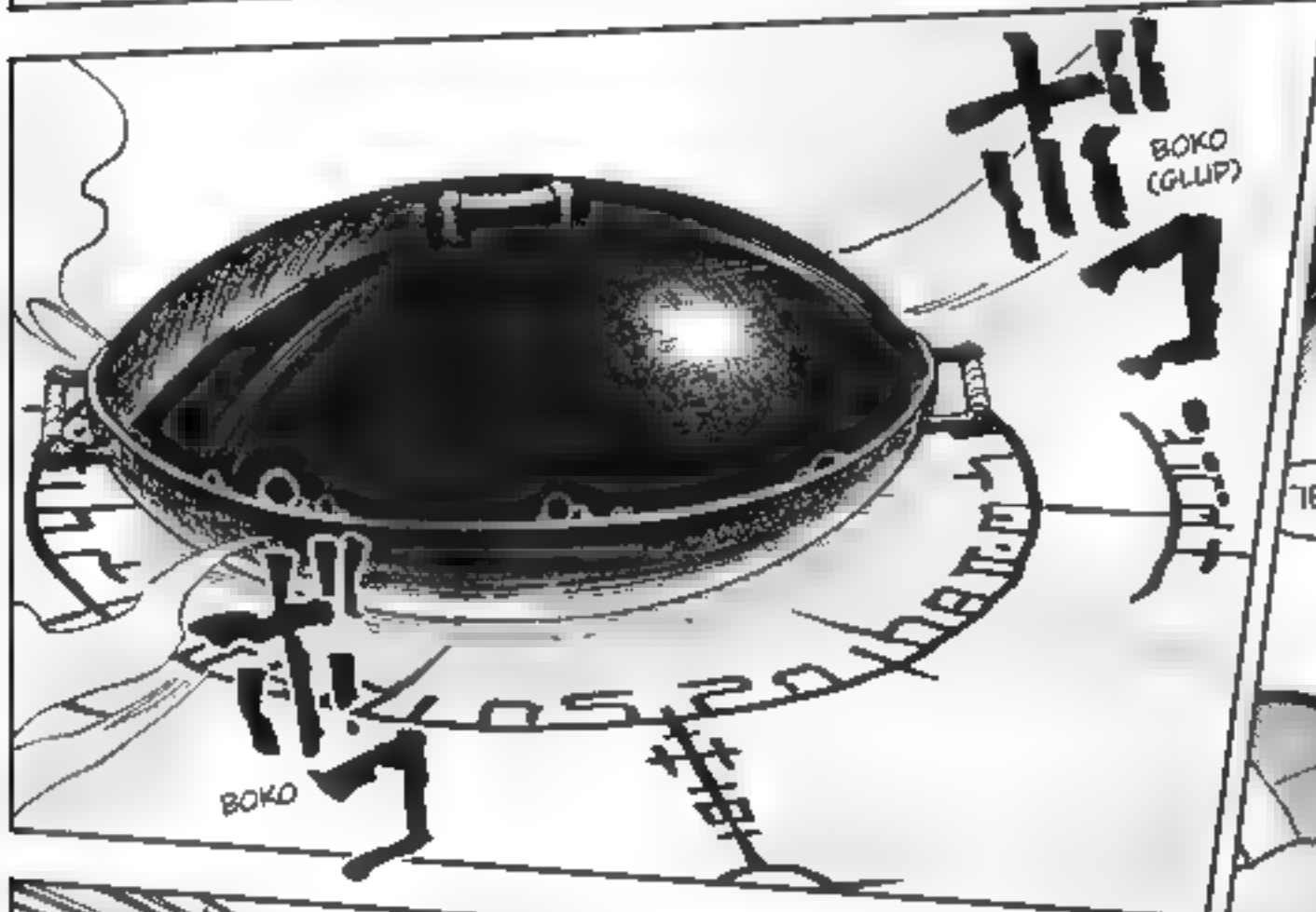


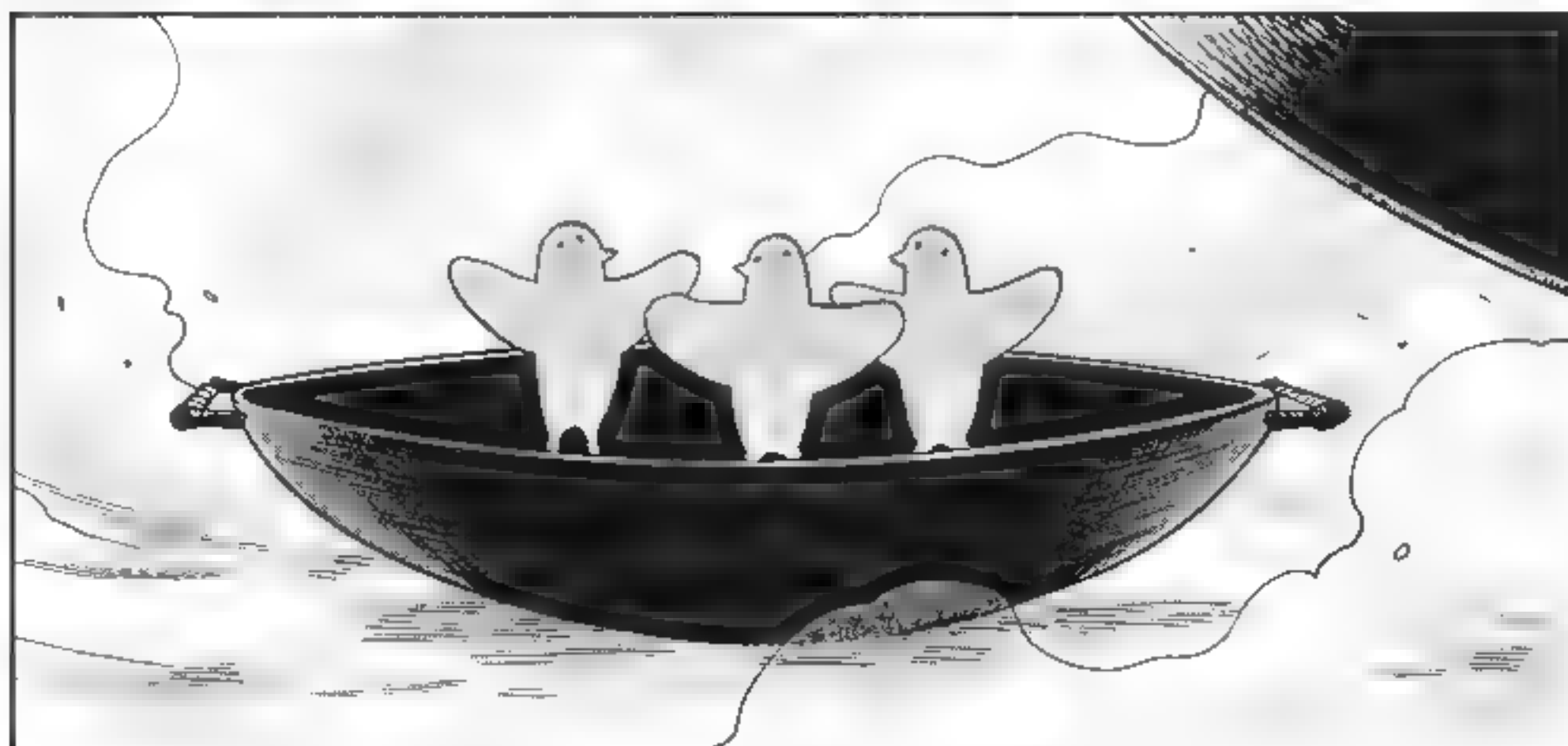
HM...?



COULD SENSHI MAYBE...

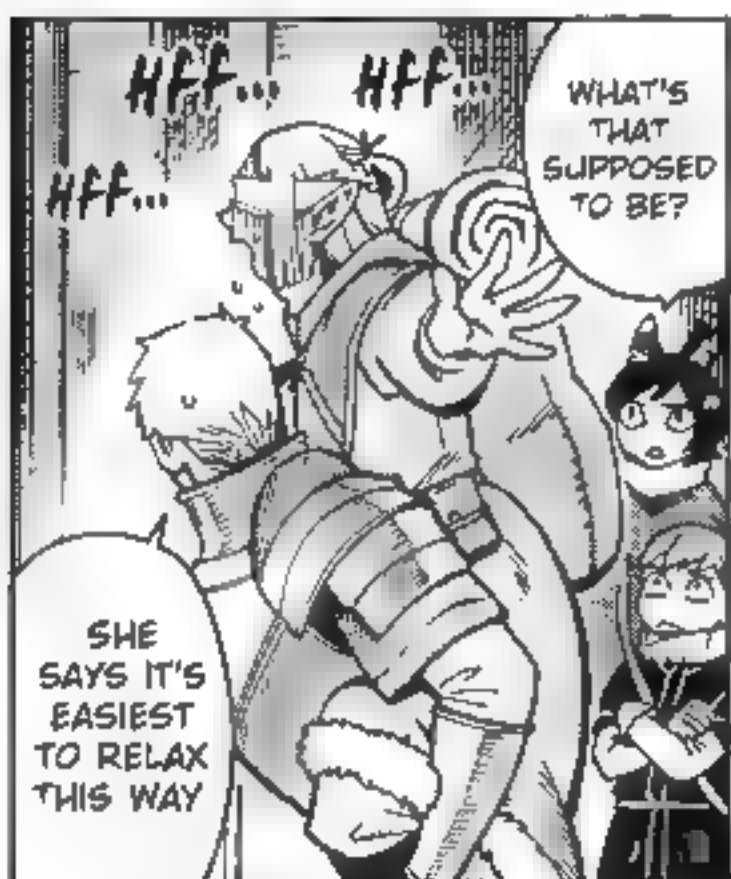
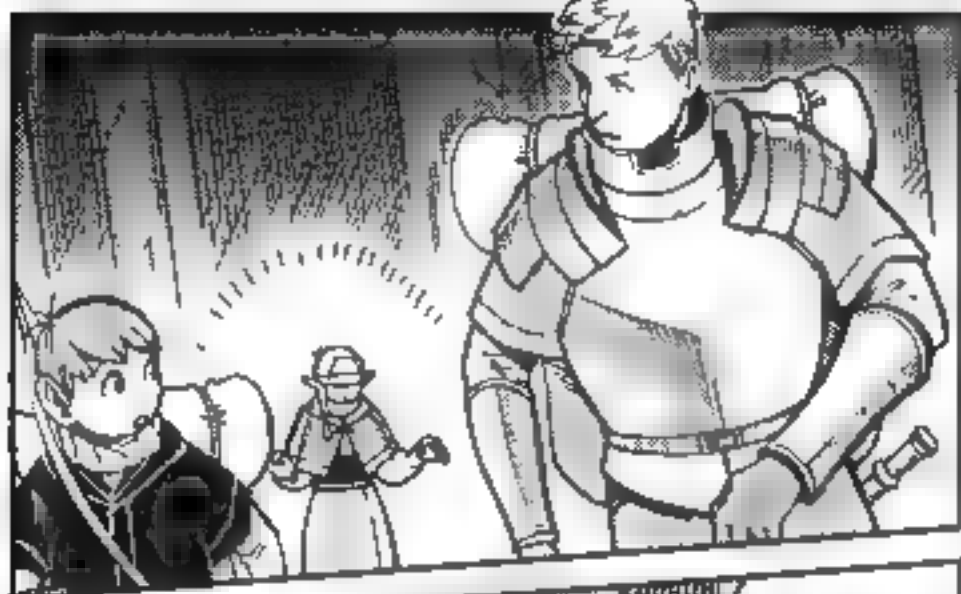
...NOT BE FROM ABOVE-GR—

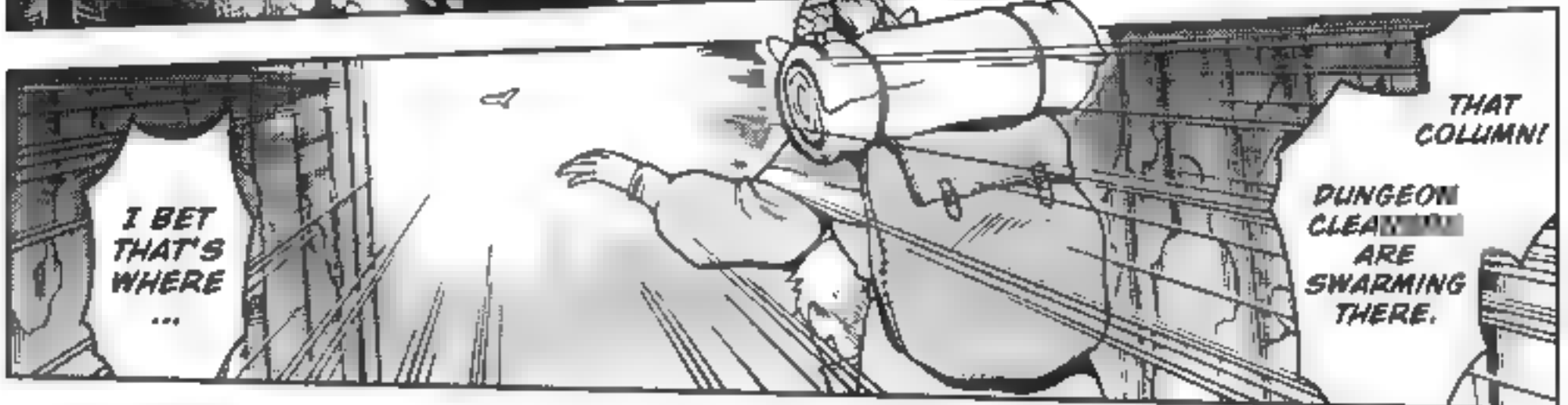






SAF BUTEN LUTTER, BUTEN





I BET
THAT'S
WHERE
...

THAT
COLUMN!

DUNGEON
CLEAN
ARE
SWARMING
THERE.



HERE

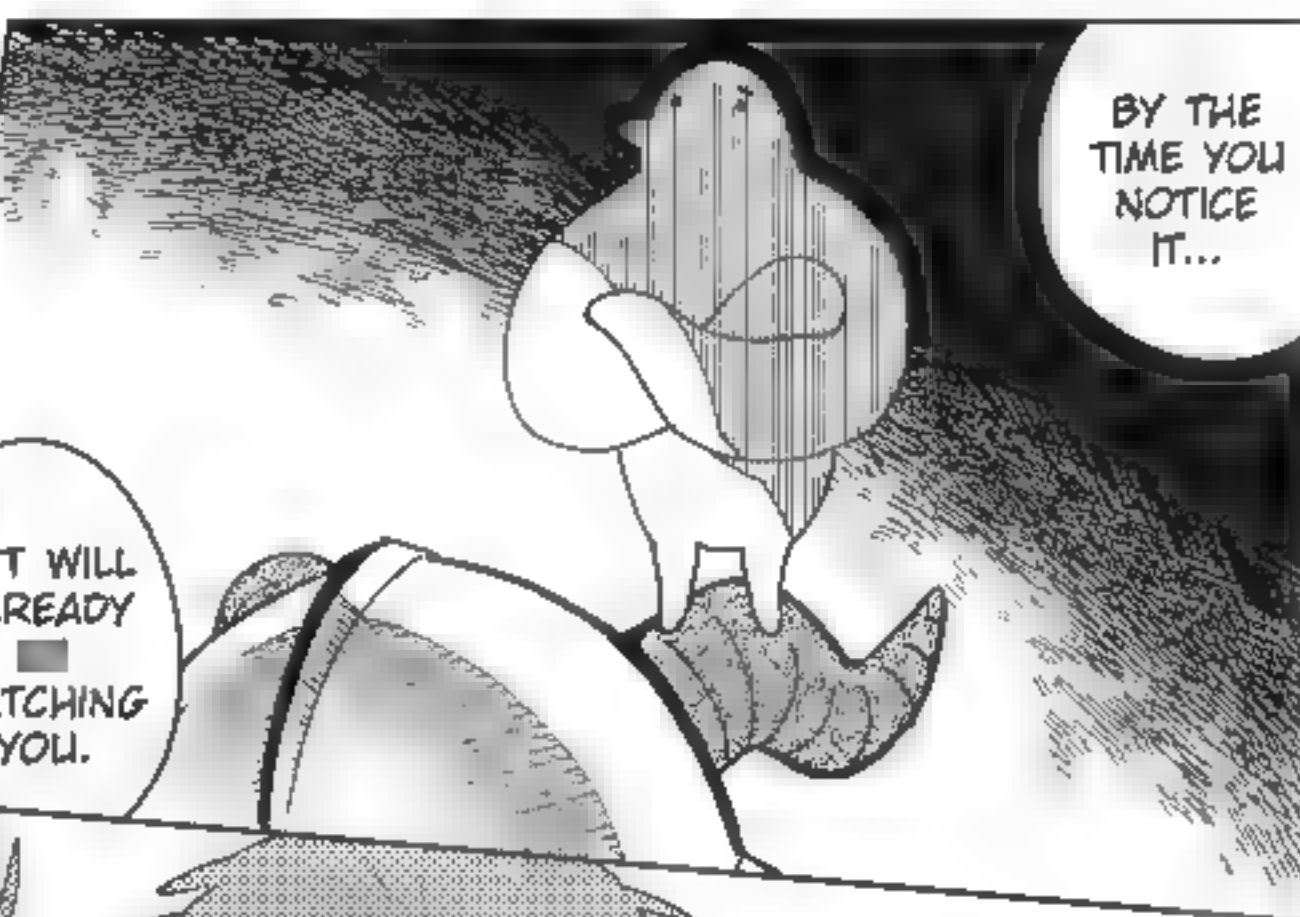
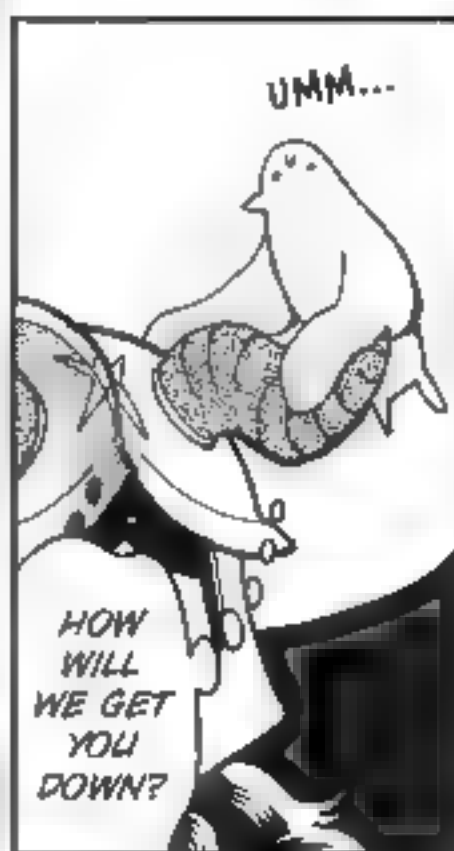
I FOUND
HIM!
HE'S
STAKED
OUT
HIGH UP
ON THE
PILLAR.

SO
GRIFFINS
IMPALE
THEIR
PREY.

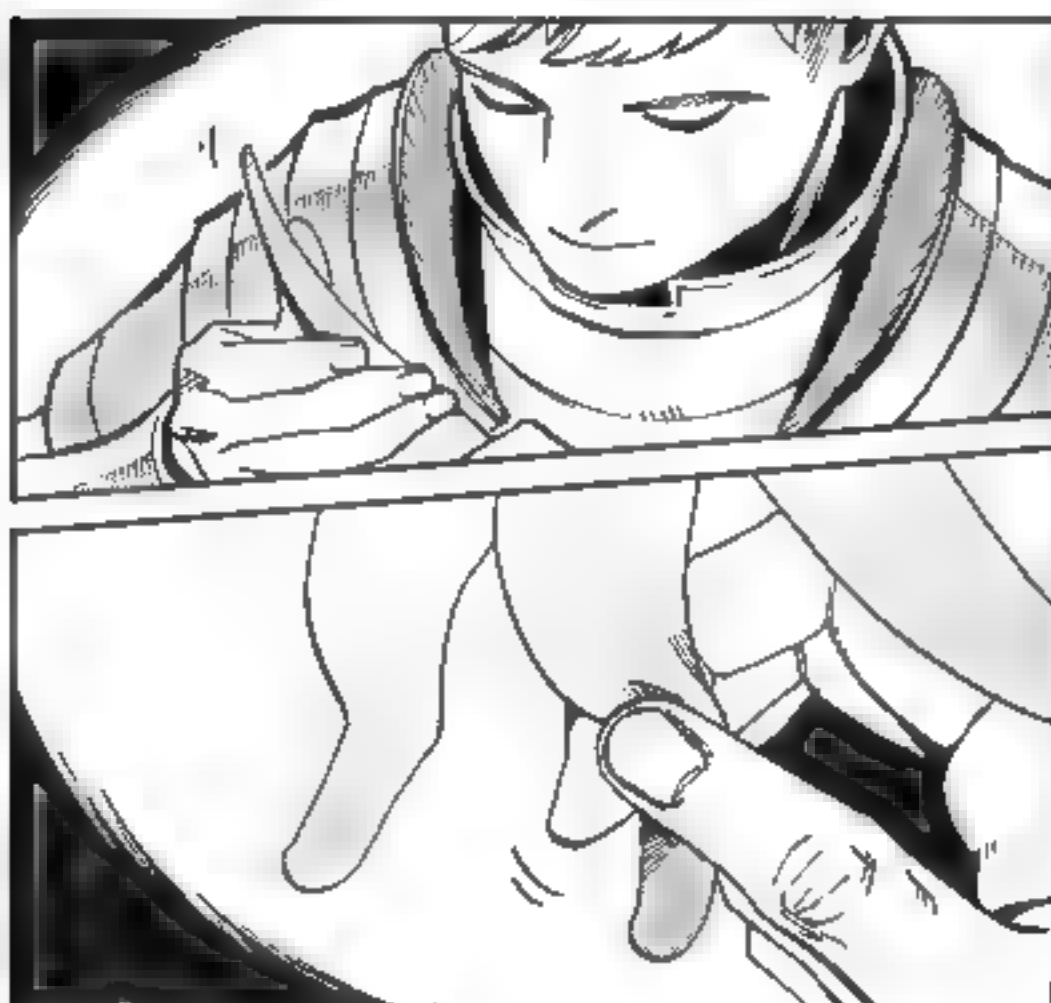


SENSHI!

RDADAAAAN
COA DULIM

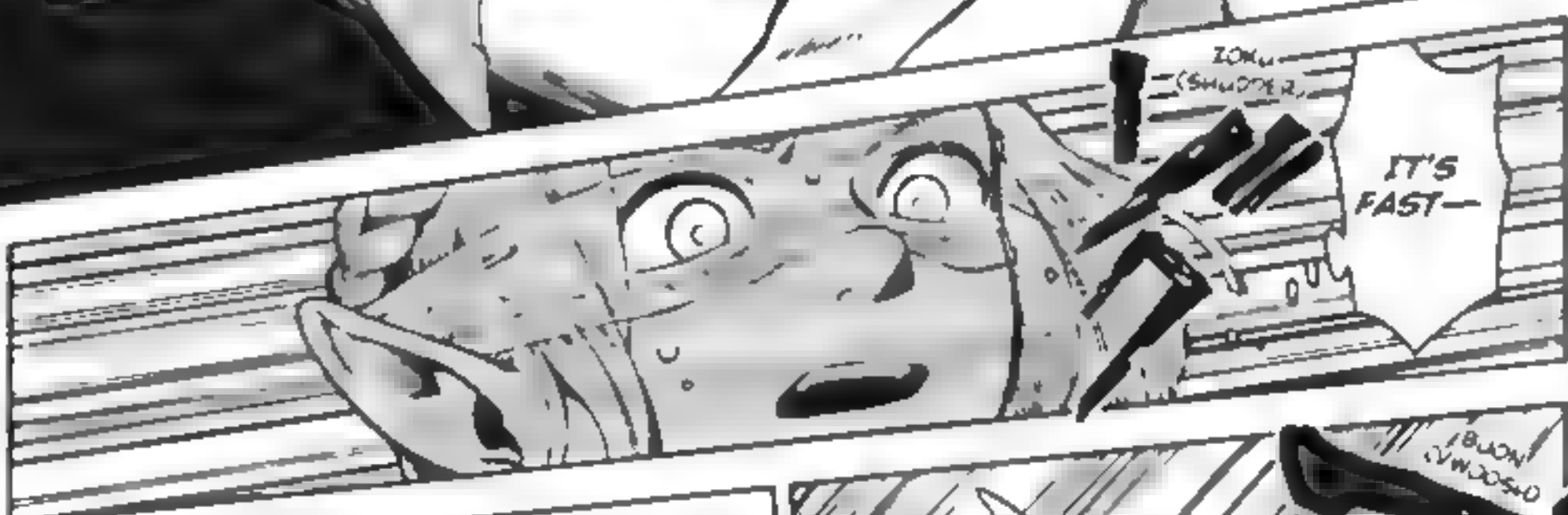








GOOD.
AND
NOW...



ZOM
(SHUDDER)

IT'S
FAST—

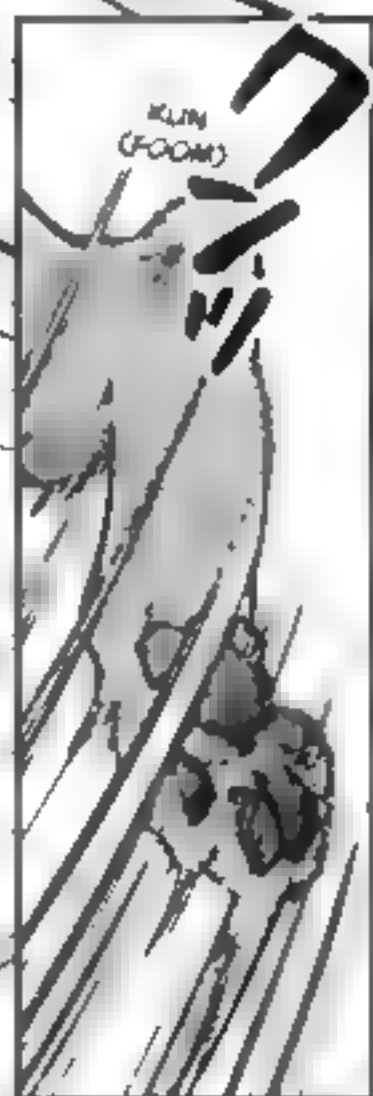
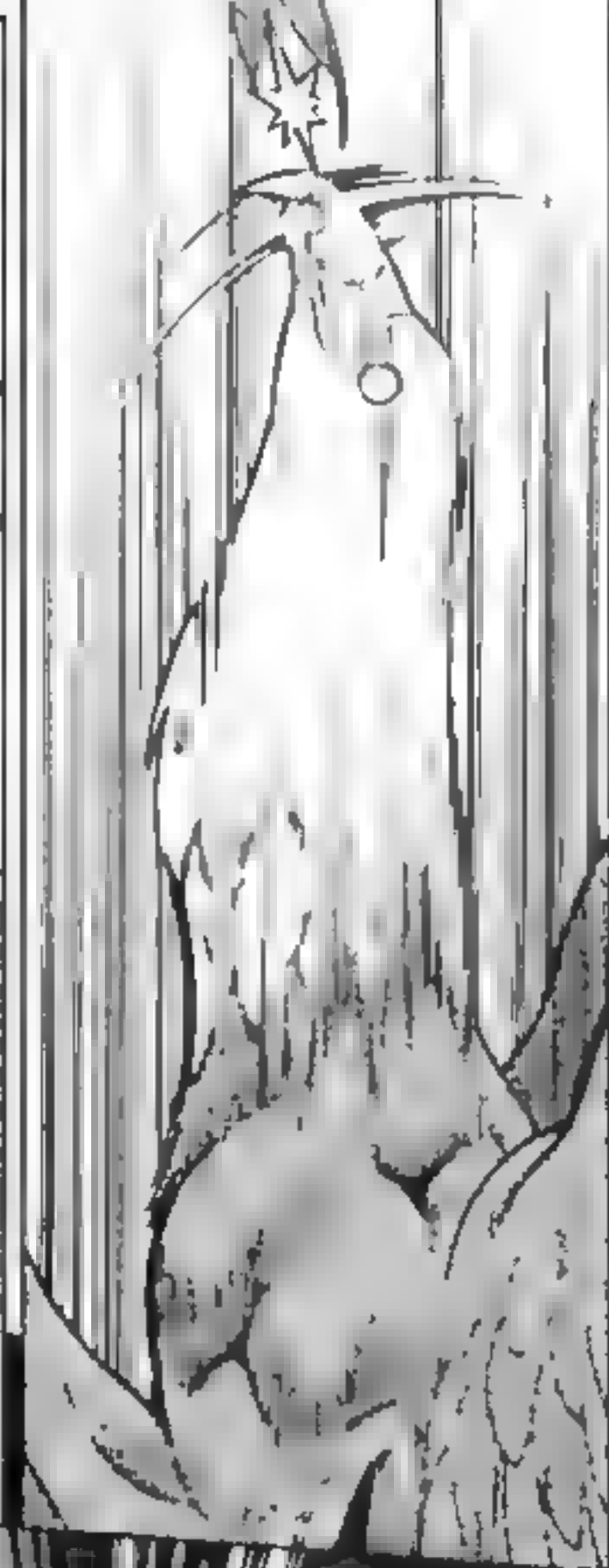


I'LL DRAW
THE
GRIFFIN
AWAY!

COME ON,
COME
WITH ME!

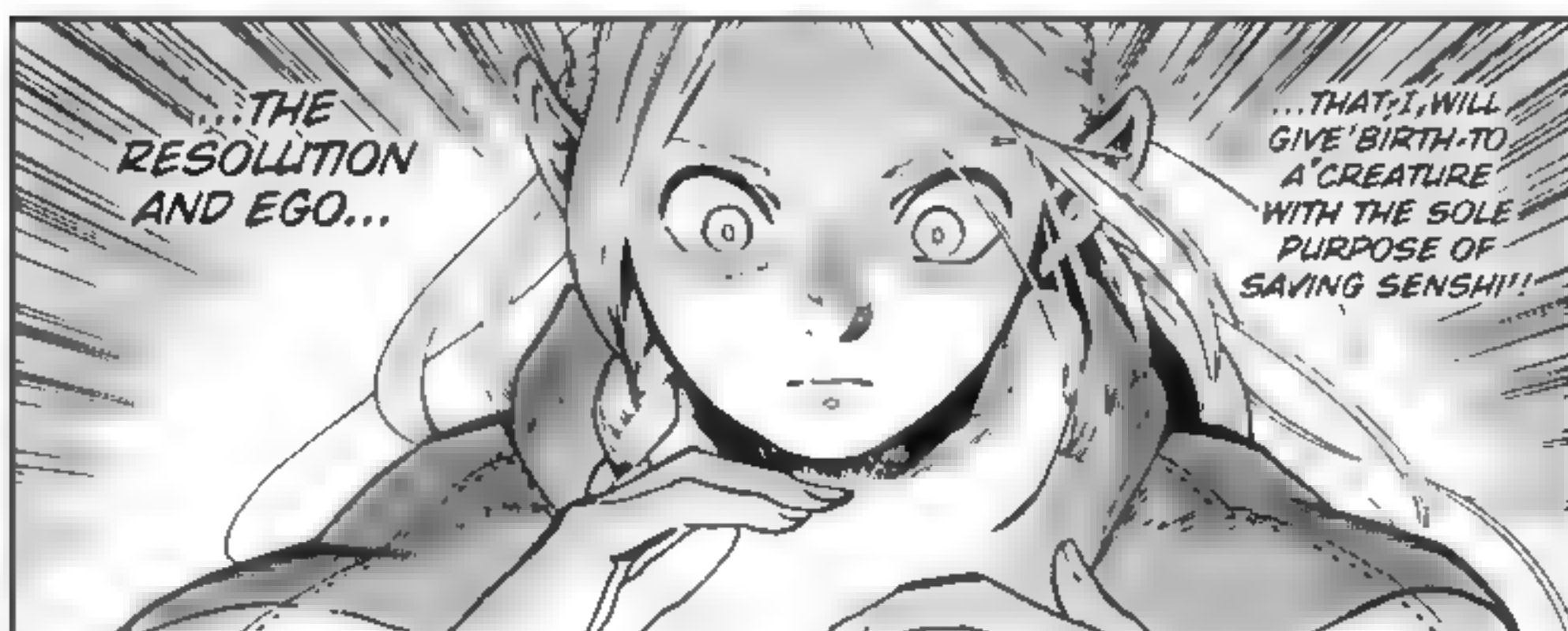
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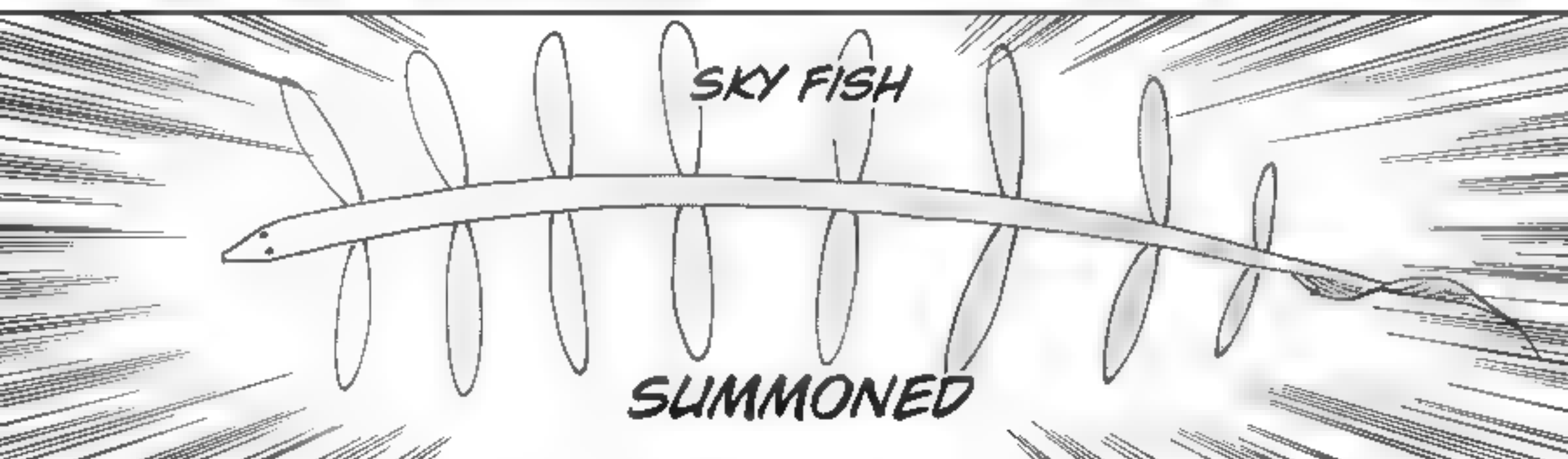
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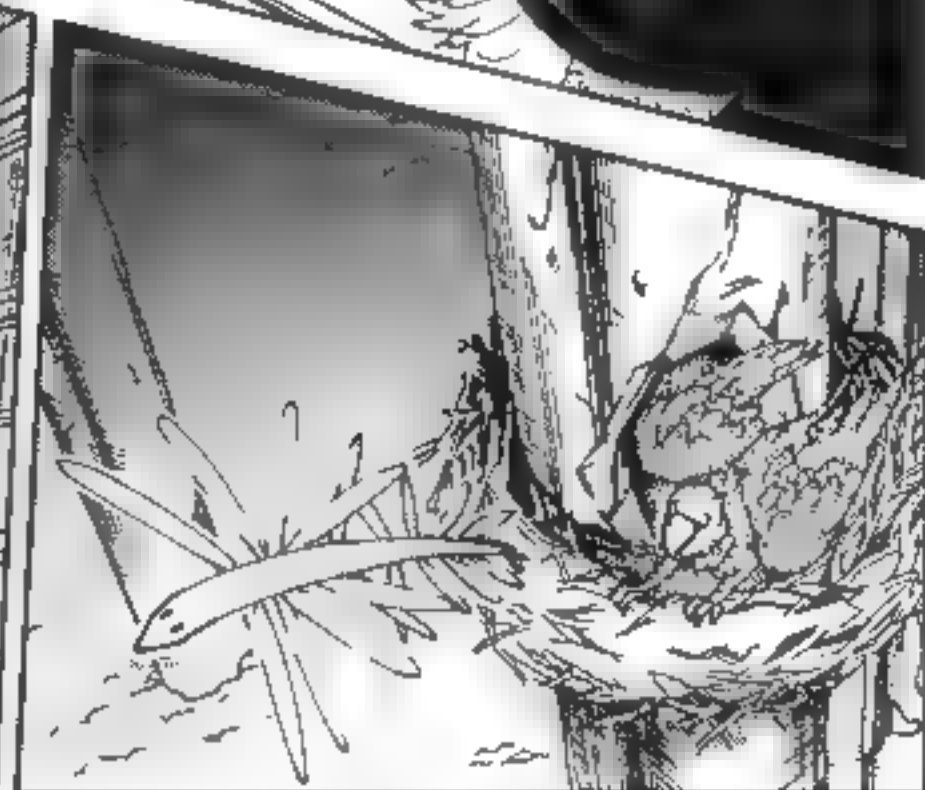
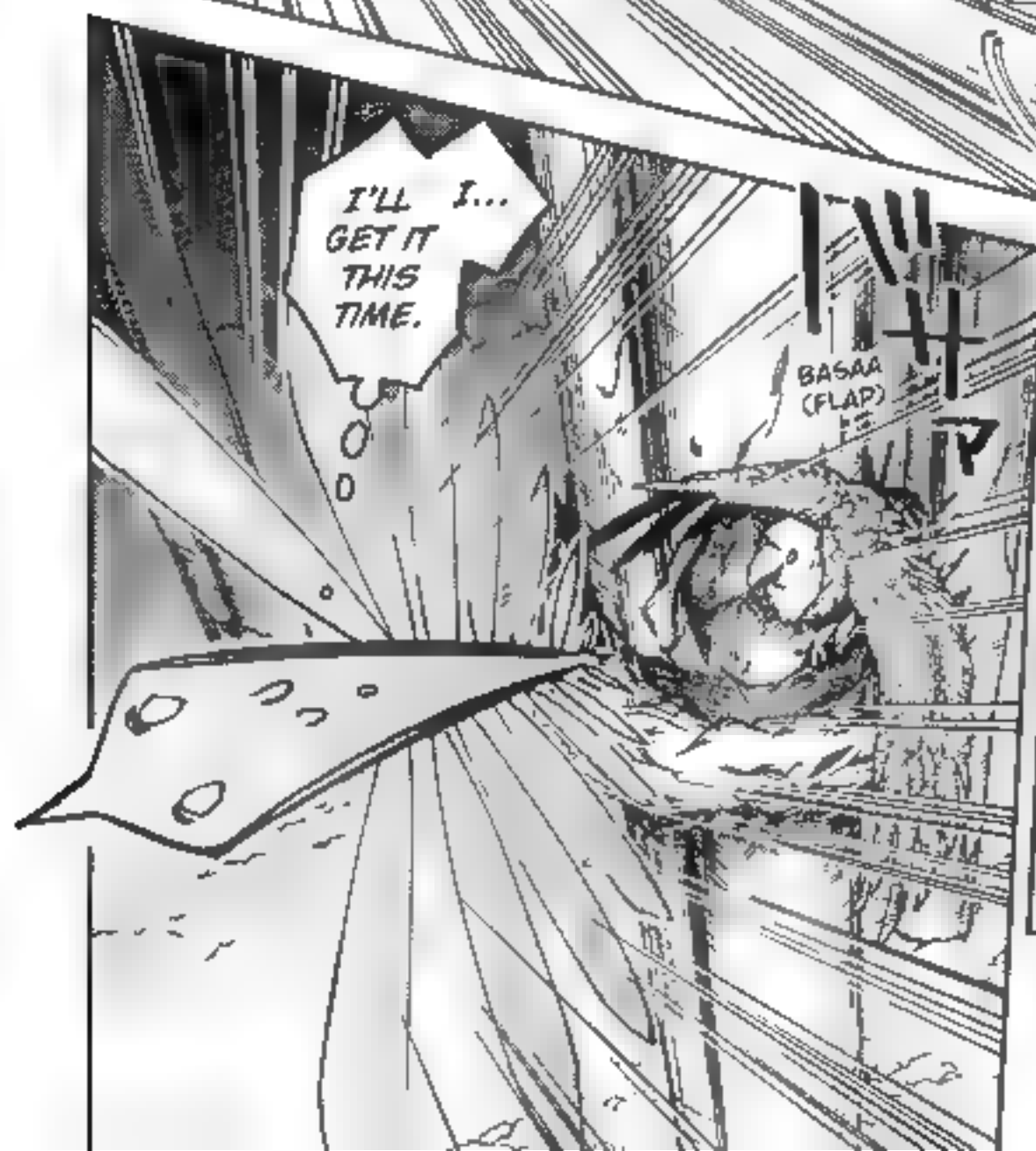












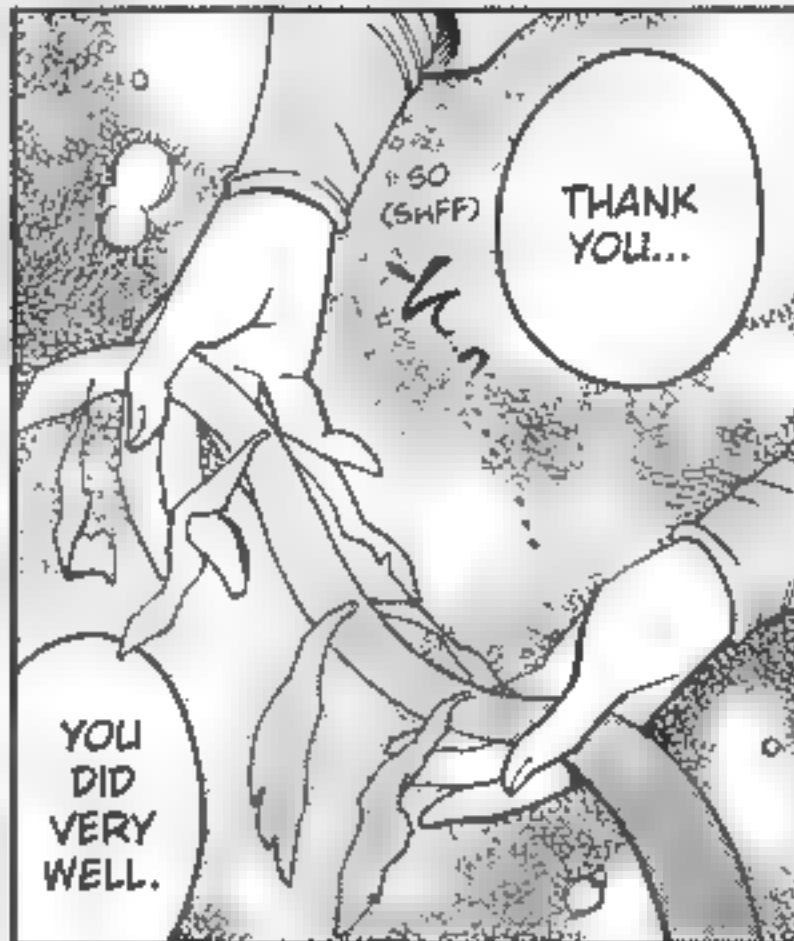
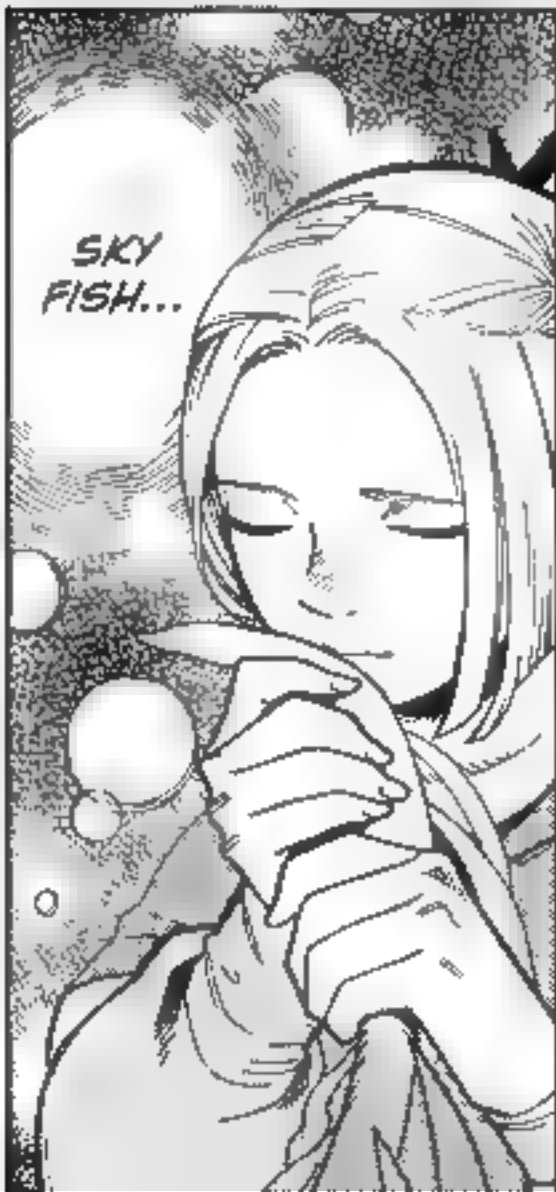
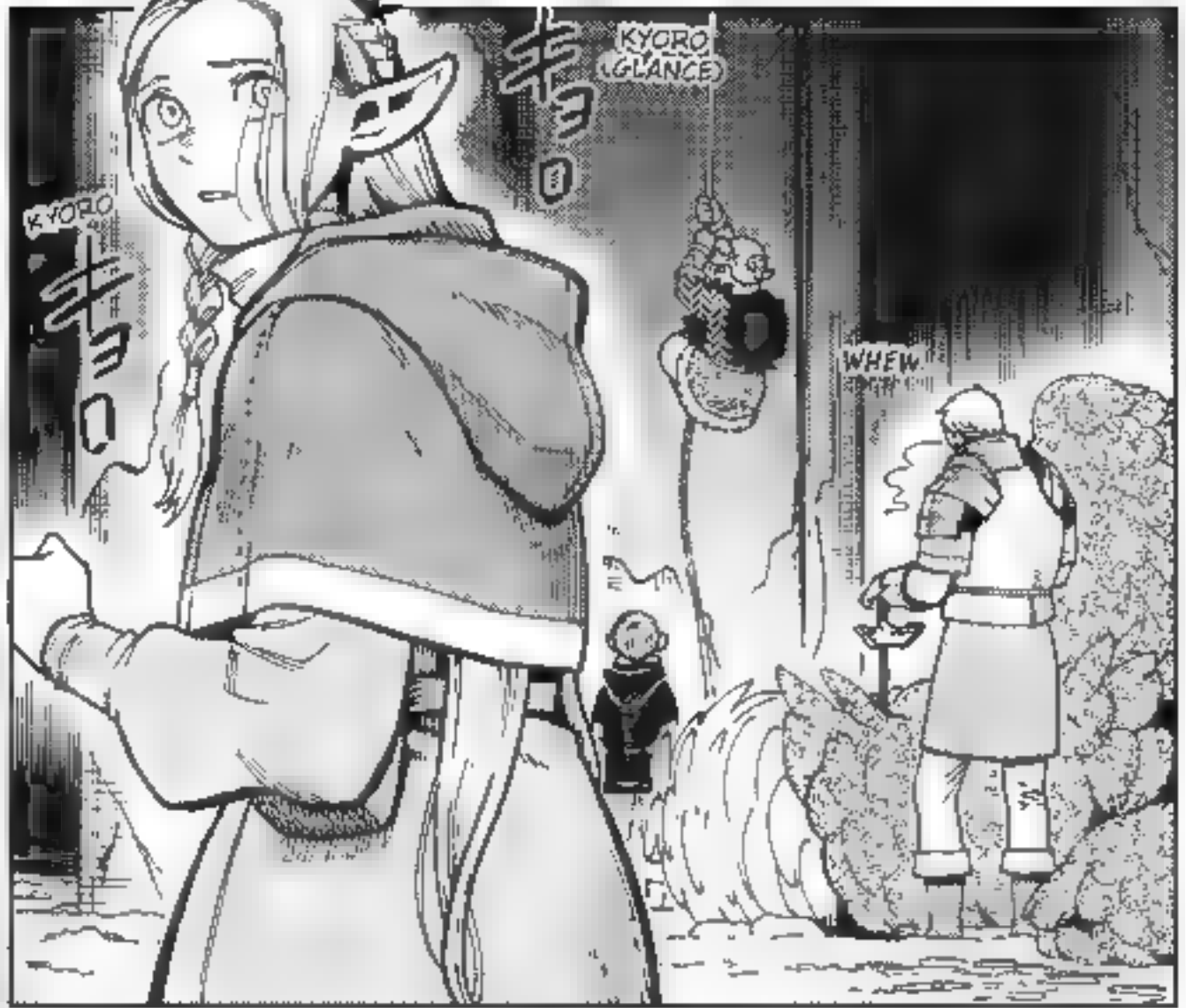


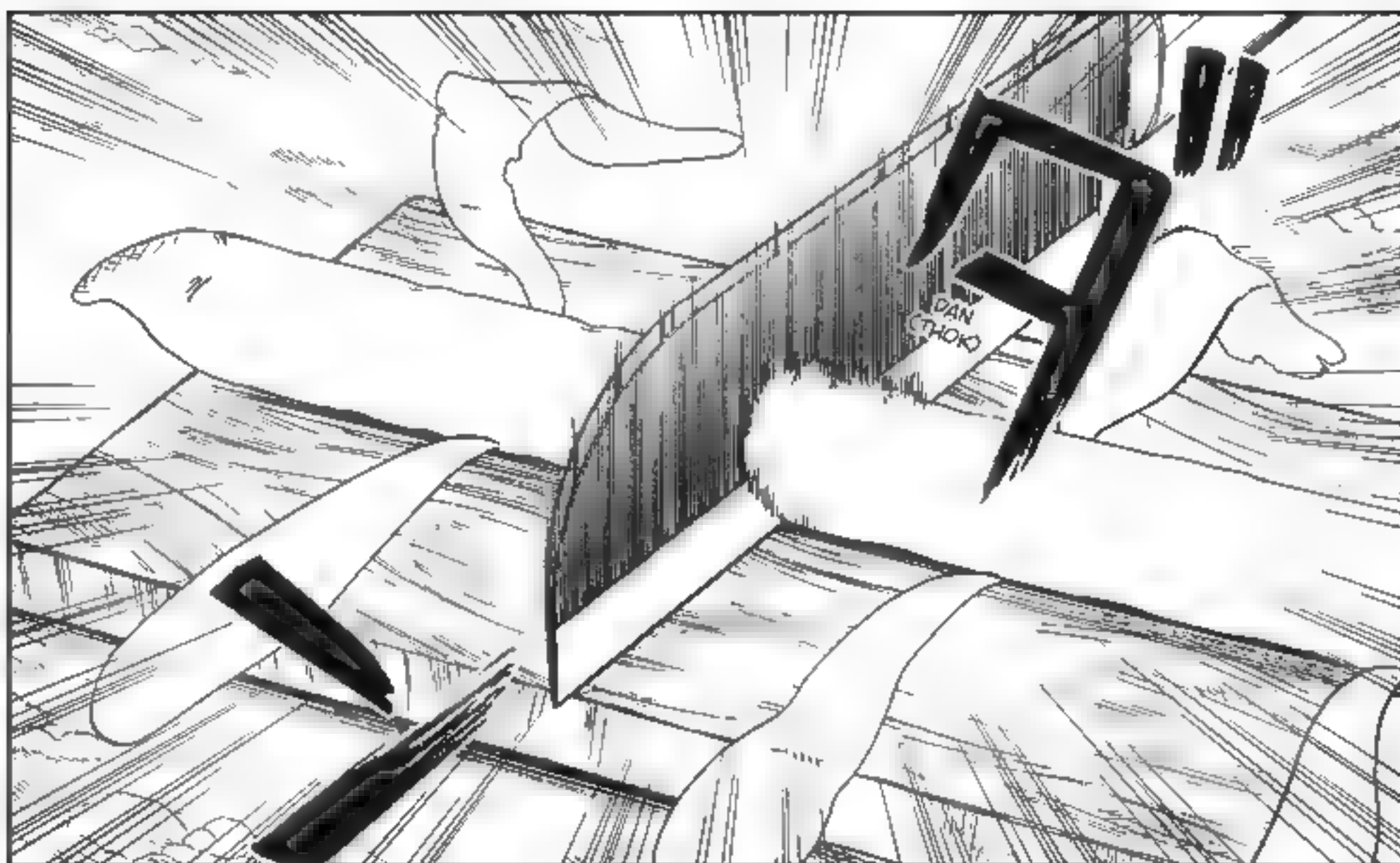
A SHARP
REVERSE,
AND...

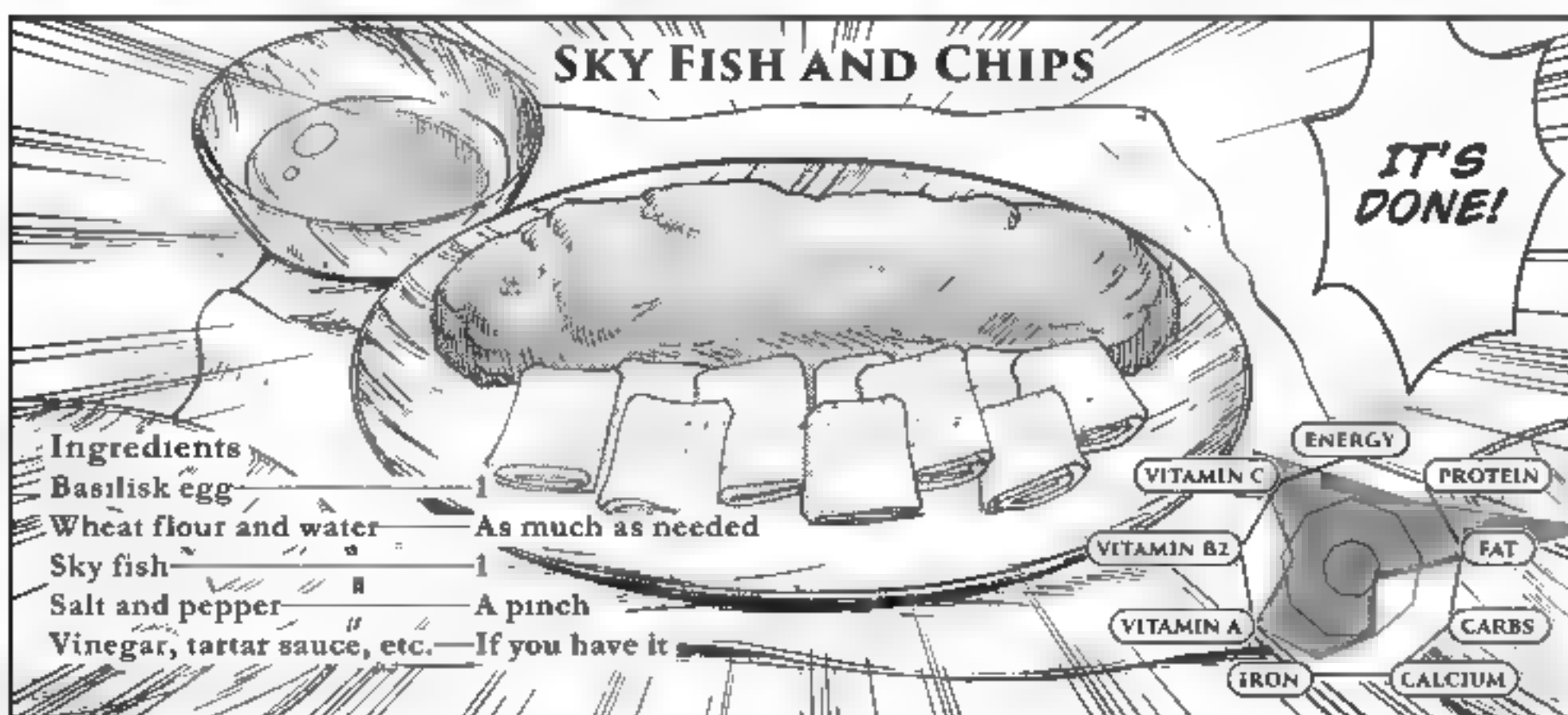
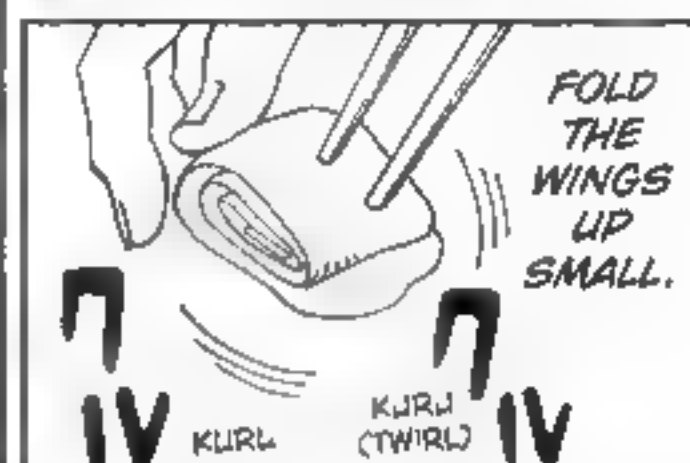
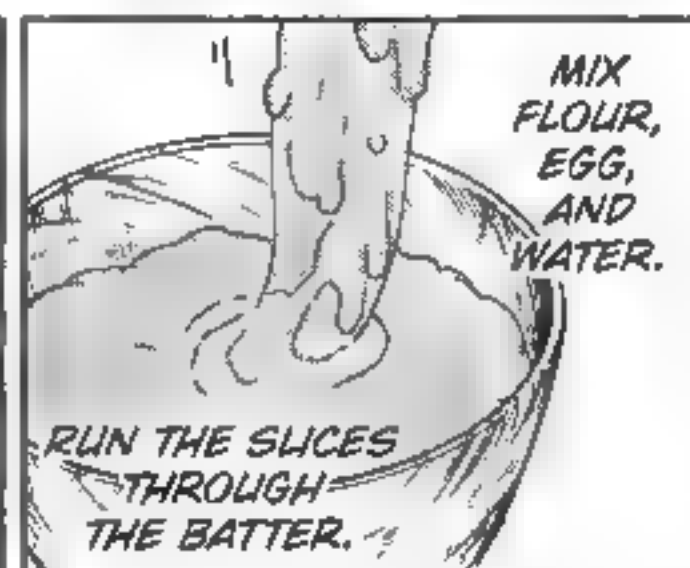
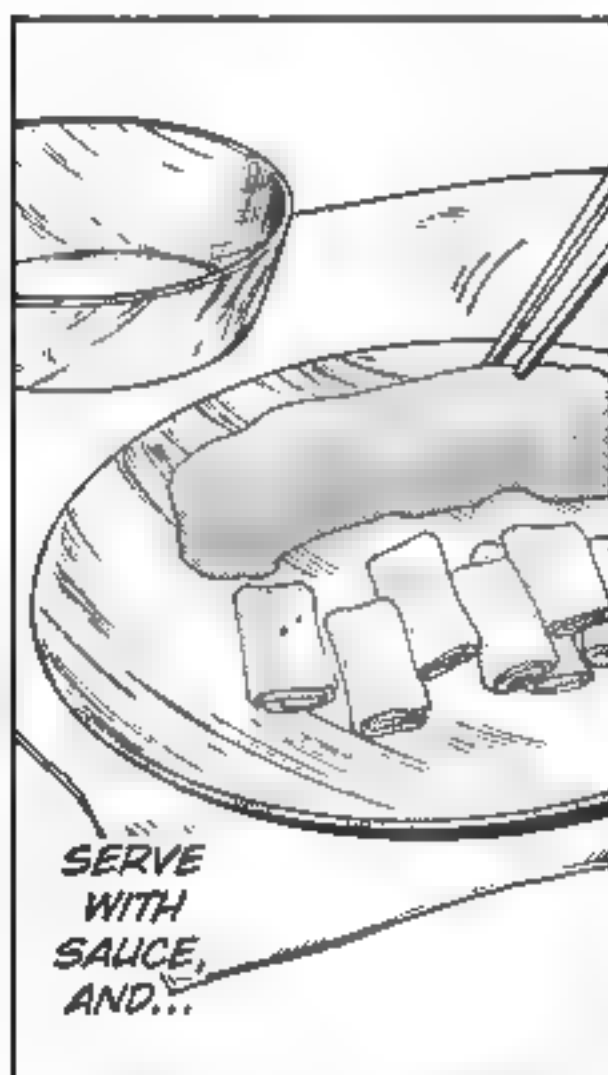


...PUNCH
THROUGH!



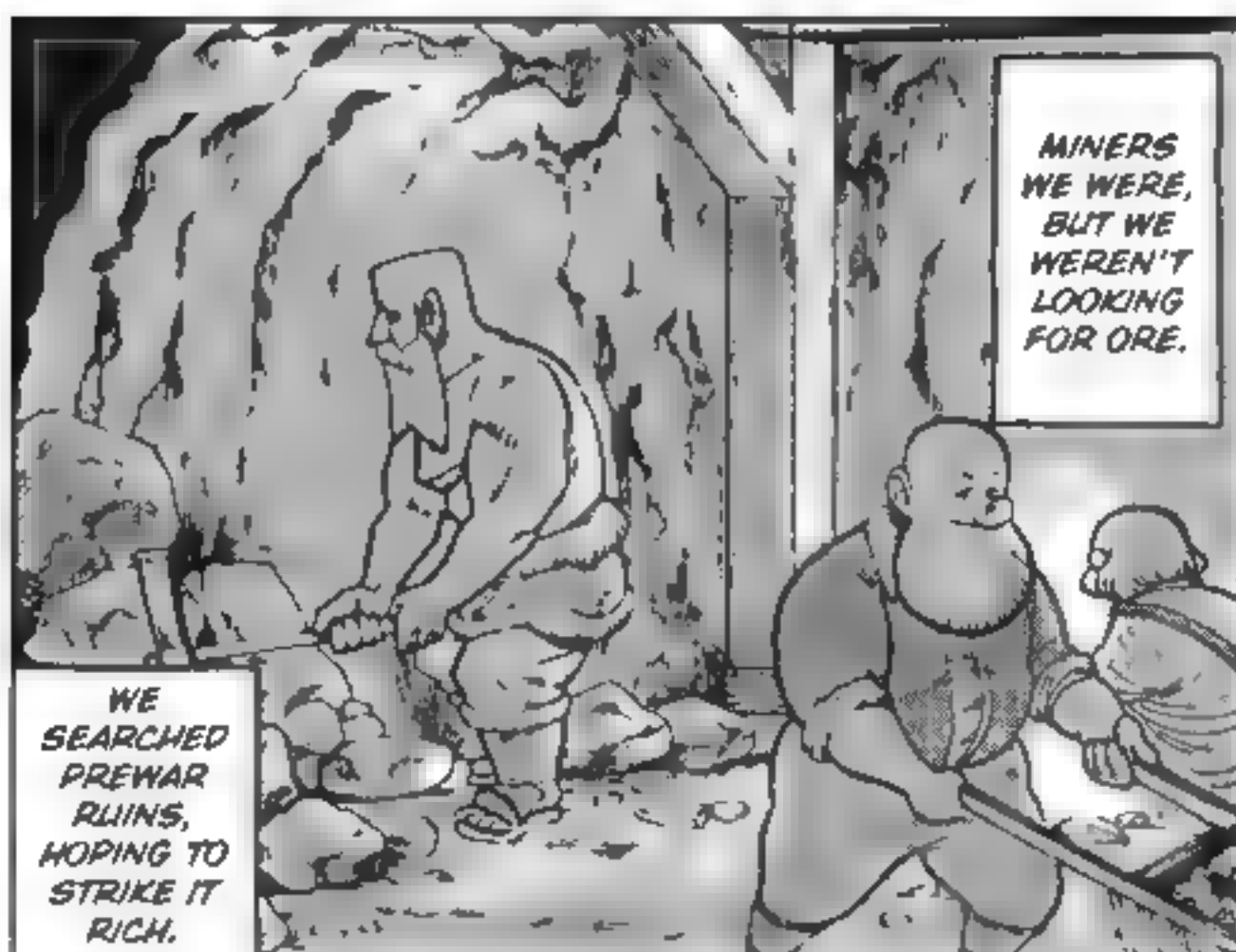












MINERS
WE WERE,
BUT WE
WEREN'T
LOOKING
FOR ORE.

WE
SEARCHED
PREWAR
RUINS,
HOPING TO
STRIKE IT
RICH.



MY NAME
IS SENSHI
OF
IZGANDA.

I WAS
PART OF
A SMALL
MINING
GROUP.



ONE DAY,
WE STRUCK
SOMETHING
HUGE.

AN
ANCIENT
CASTLE
THAT
SHONE
WITH
GOLD...

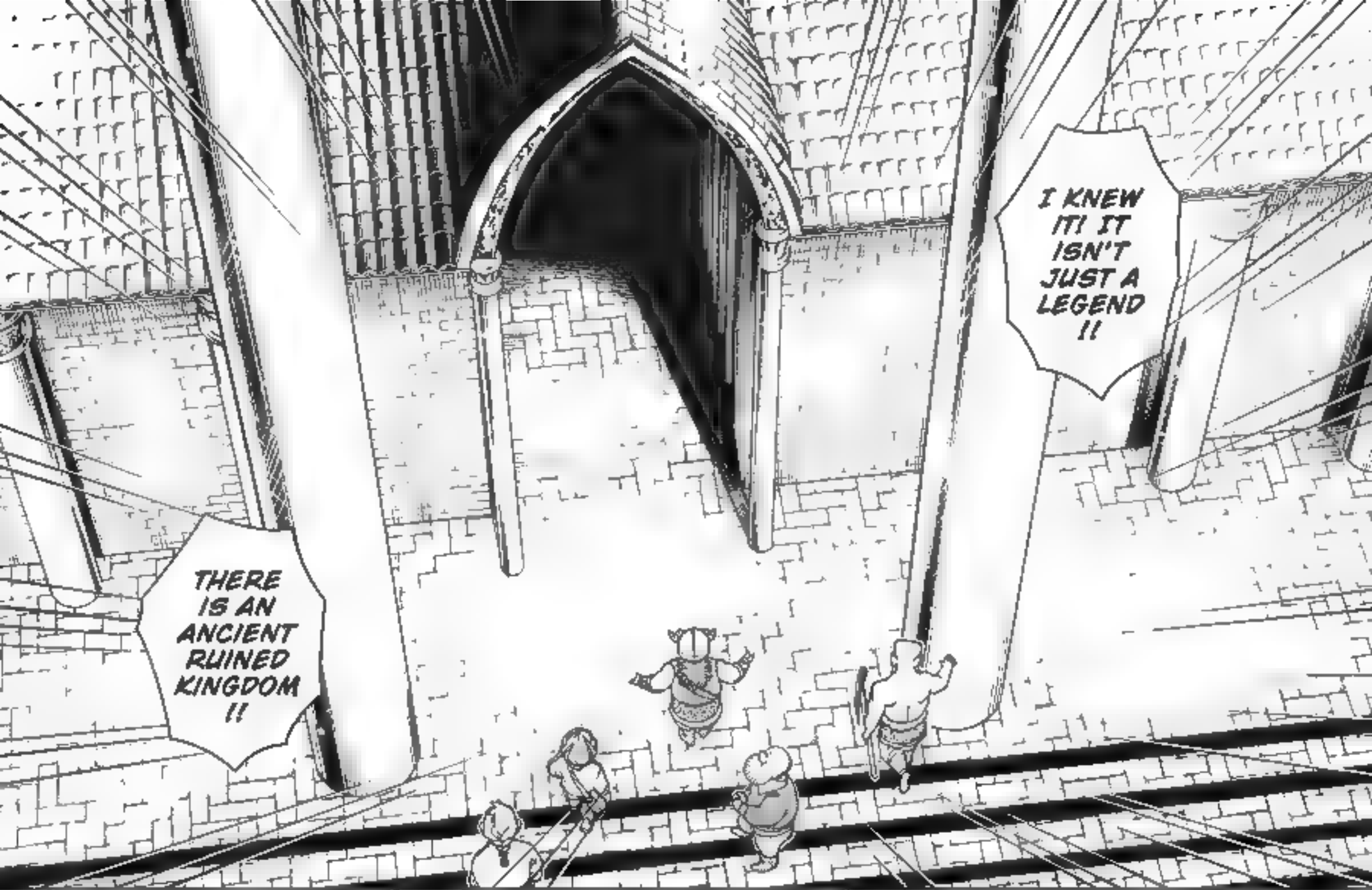
THAT
SAID...
...ORE
MADE UP THE
BULK OF OUR
TAKE, AND WE
WERE LUCKY
TO FIND RELICS
LIKE GEARS OR
LENSES ONCE
IN A WHILE.



THAT'S
RIGHT.
THIS
DUNGEON.



49. GRIFFIN SOUP





HEH.

I SEE.
THAT
YOUNG
STILL,
HUH?

DON'T
PUSH
YOUR-
SELF.

YOU WAIT
HERE.



SENSHI.
HOW OLD
ARE YOU
AGAIN?

I'M
THIRTY-
SIX
THIS
YEAR.



BRING
THE
HORSE



I WAS
SCARED
TO BE
LEFT
ALONE,
SO I
LIED.



WHOA

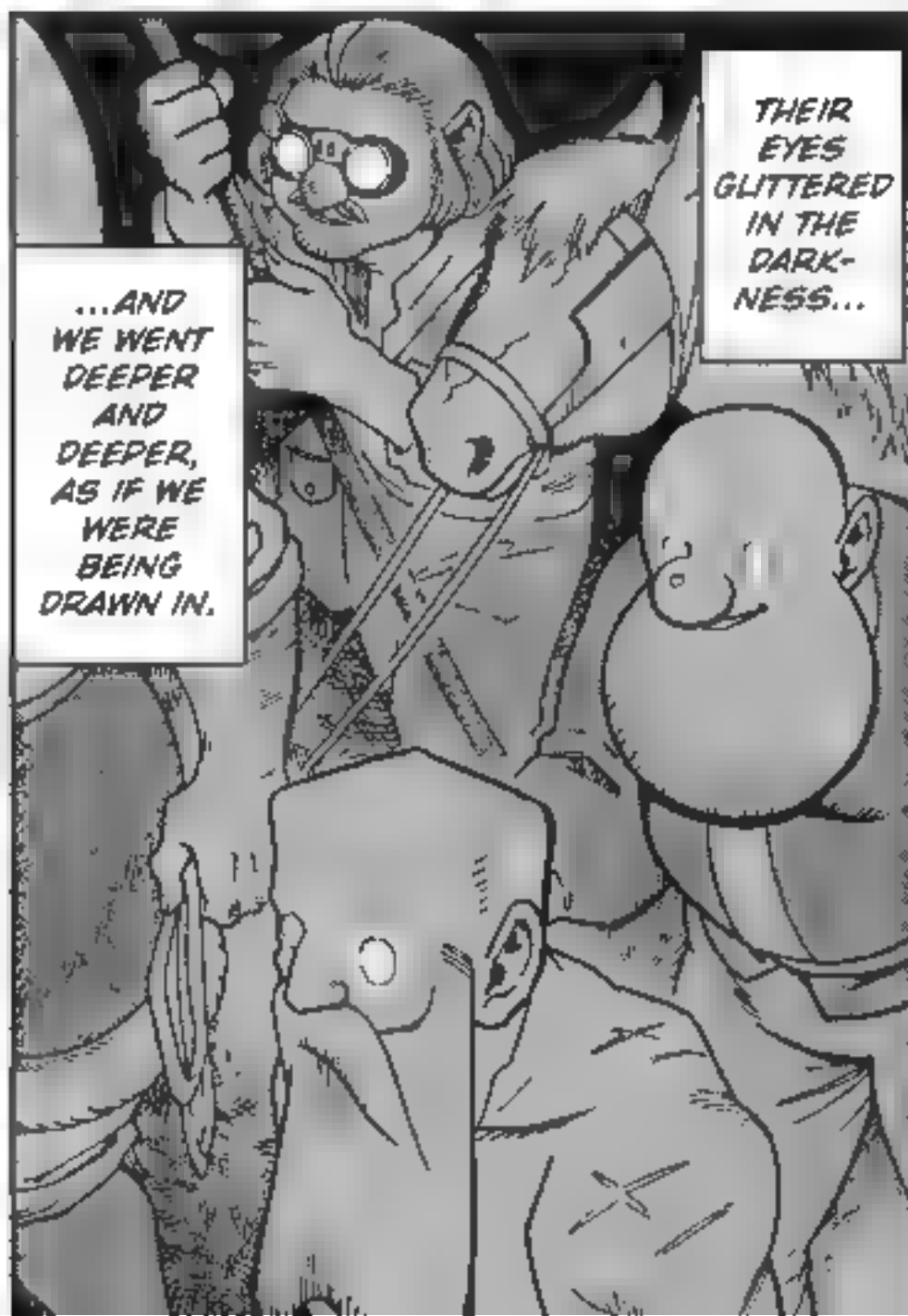
NO!

BA
(CRUSH)

I
WANT
GOLD
TOO.



GRR!



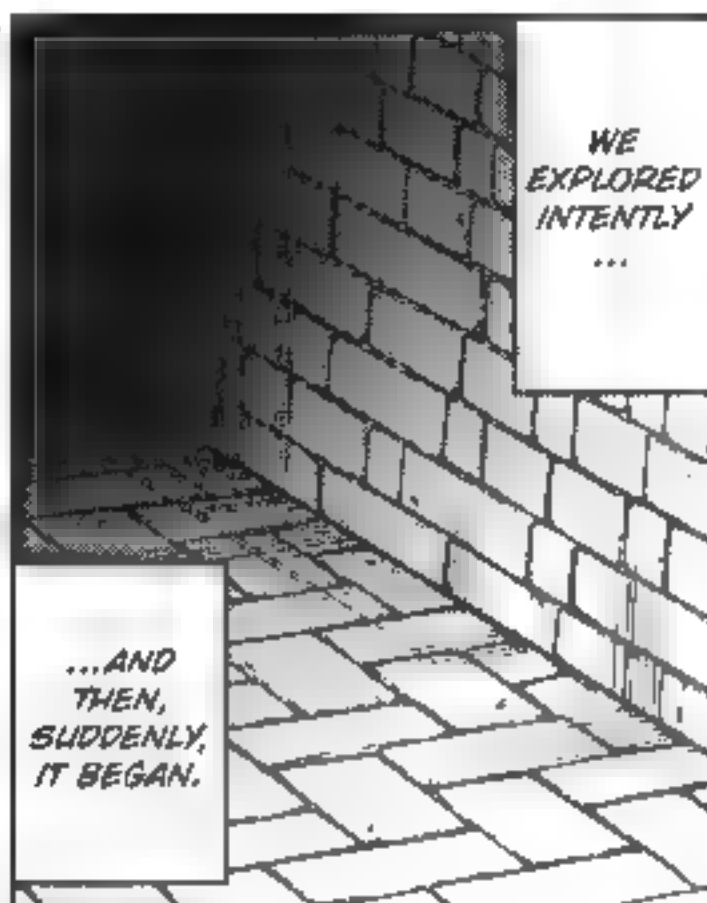
...AND
WE WENT
DEEPER
AND
DEEPER,
AS IF WE
WERE
BEING
DRAWN IN.

THEIR
EYES
GLITTERED
IN THE
DARK-
NESS...



I REALLY
DIDN'T
LIKE THAT
PLACE.
BESIDES...

...WHILE
MANY OF MY
COMPANIONS
HAD ALWAYS
BEEN
AMBITIOUS,
THEY SEEMED
STRANGE
NOW.



WE
EXPLORED
INTENTLY
...

...AND
THEN,
SUDDENLY,
IT BEGAN.



A HUGE BIRD
MONSTER
APPEARED
OUT OF
NOWHERE...

...AND IT
KILLED
TOTAN!



WHAT
HAP-
PENED
!?

M-M-
MONSTER
...



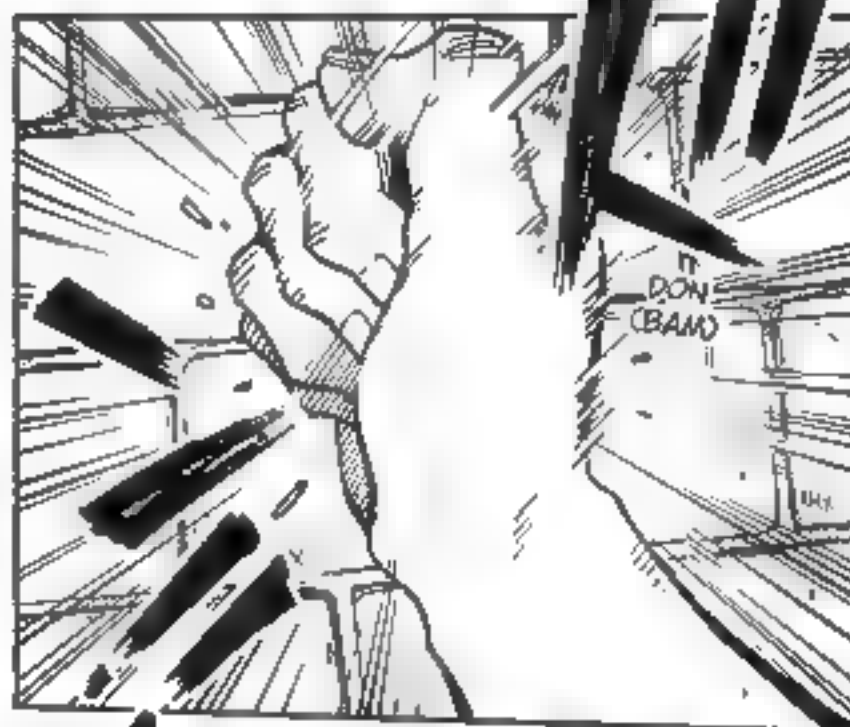
...WE
DIDN'T
KNOW
HOW
TO GET
BACK.

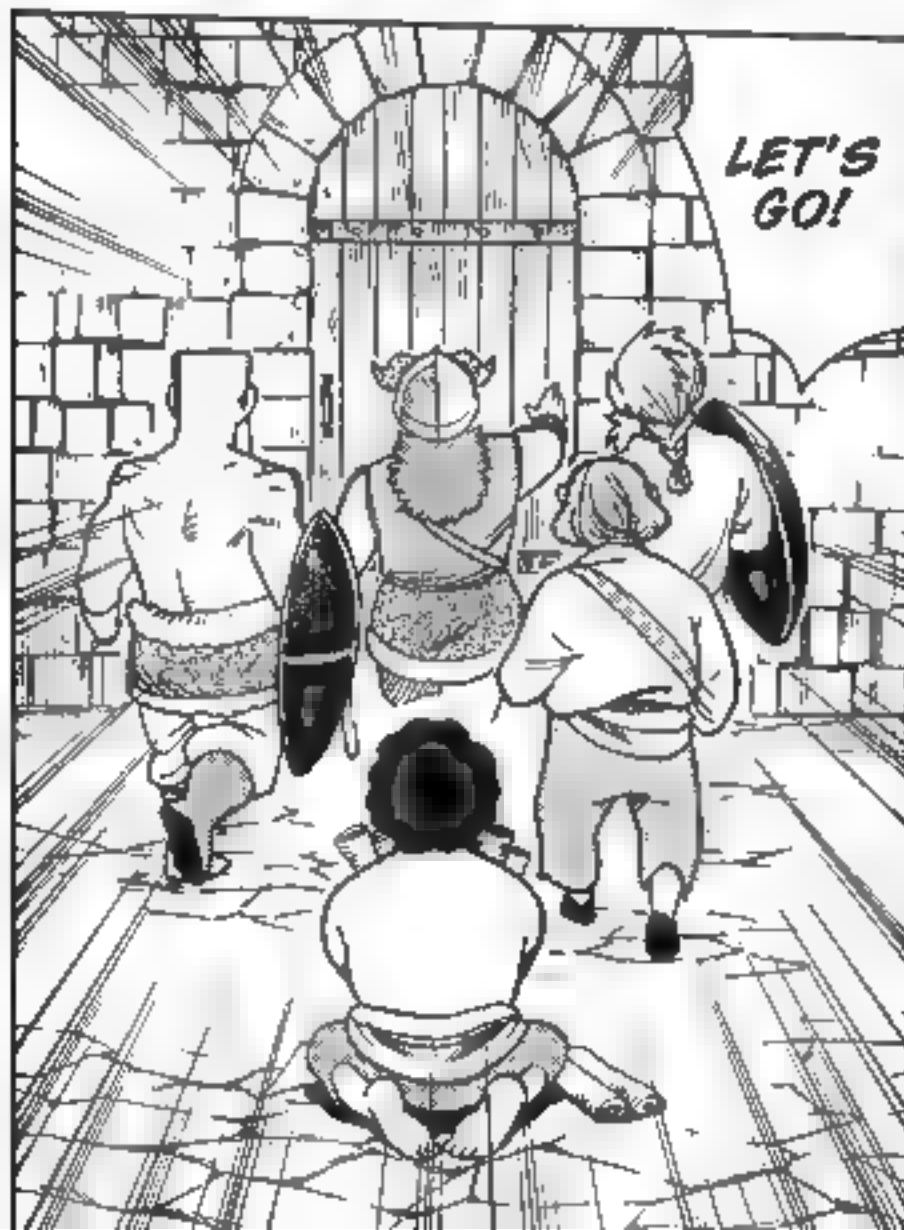


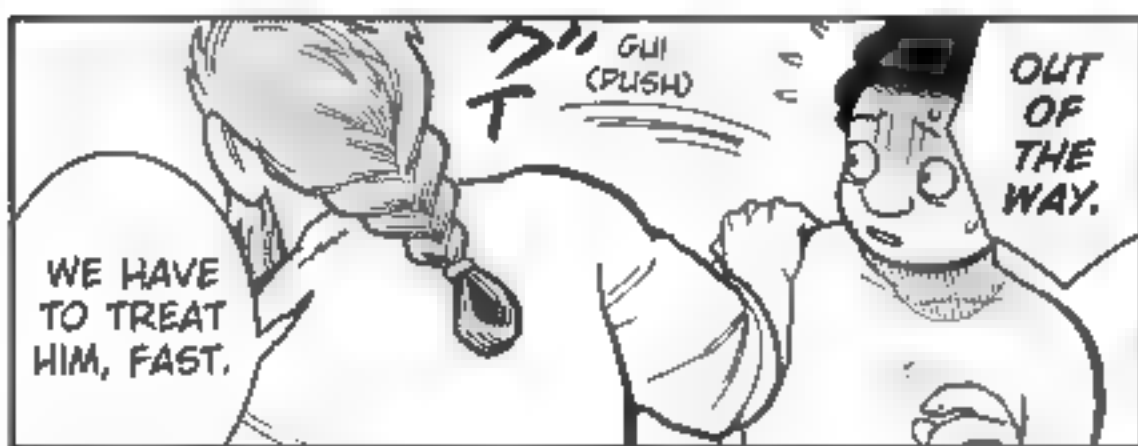
IT'S
TURNED
INTO A
DUN-
GEON!

THIS
ISN'T
JUST A
RUIN.

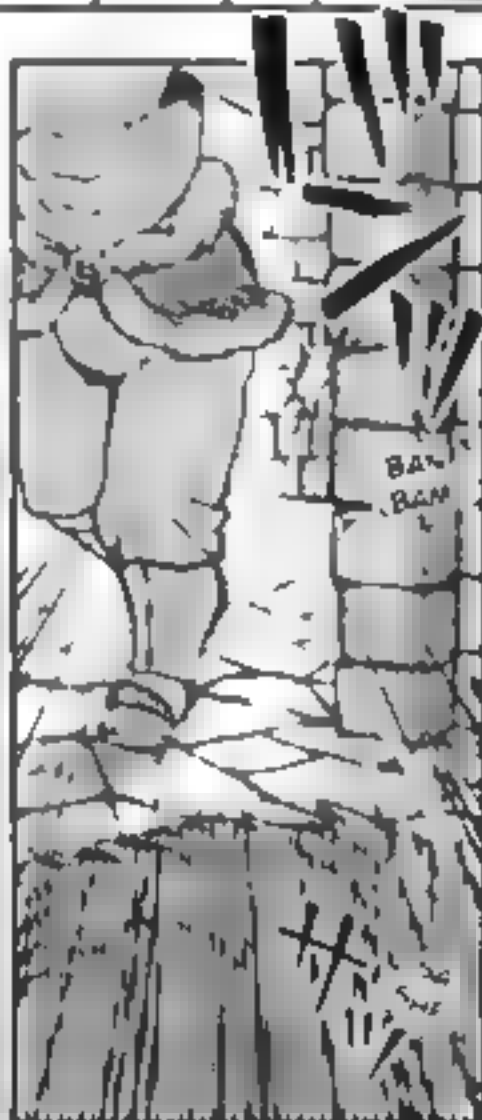
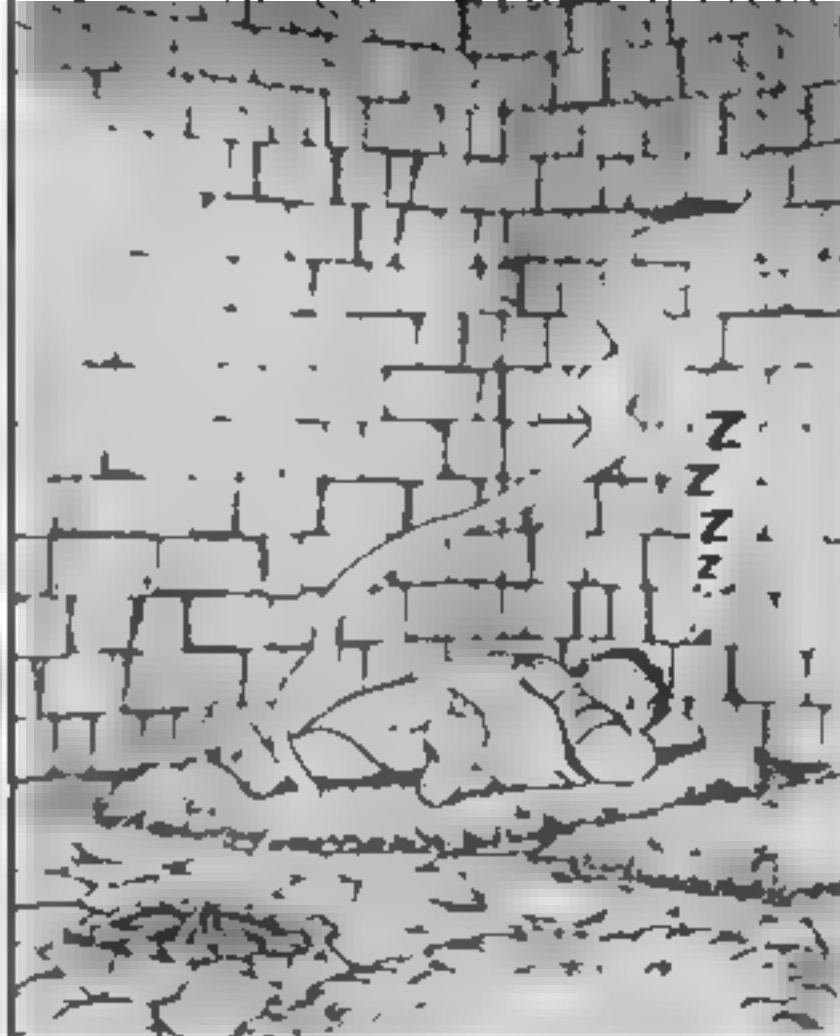
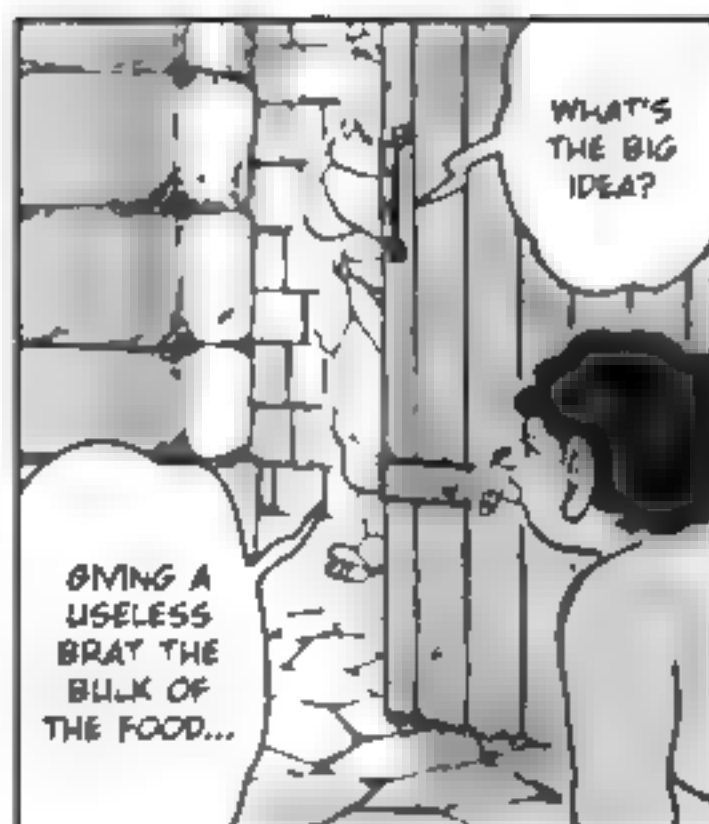
THE FEAR
FINALLY
WOKE
THEM UP,
BUT BY
THEN...

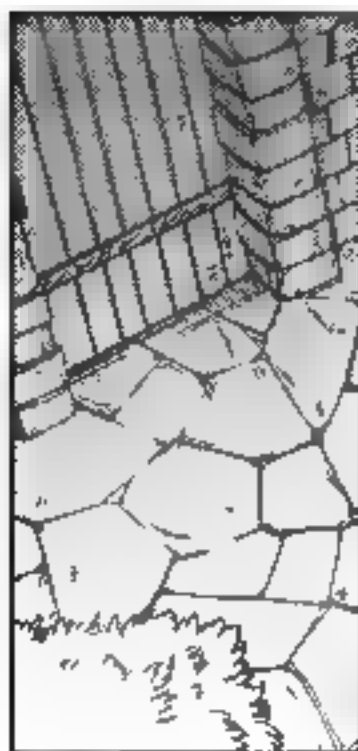


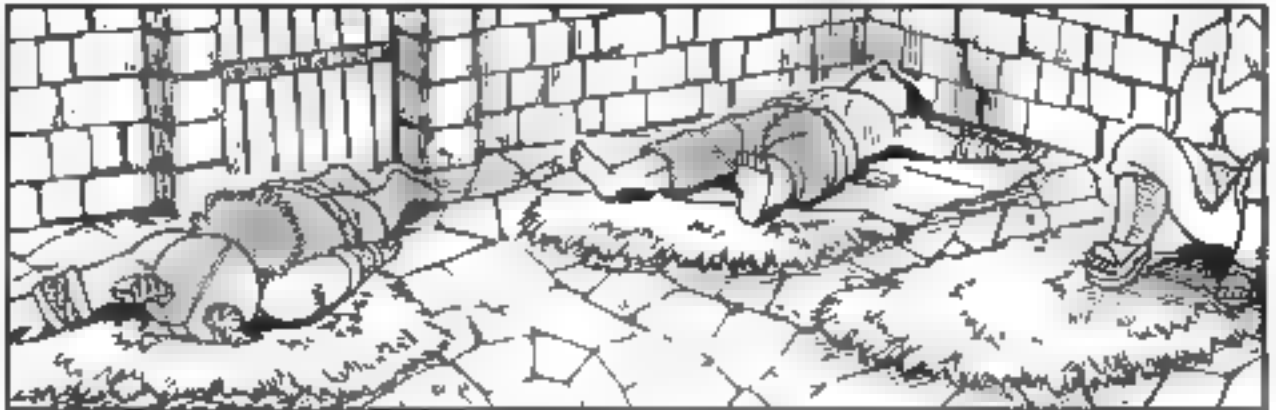


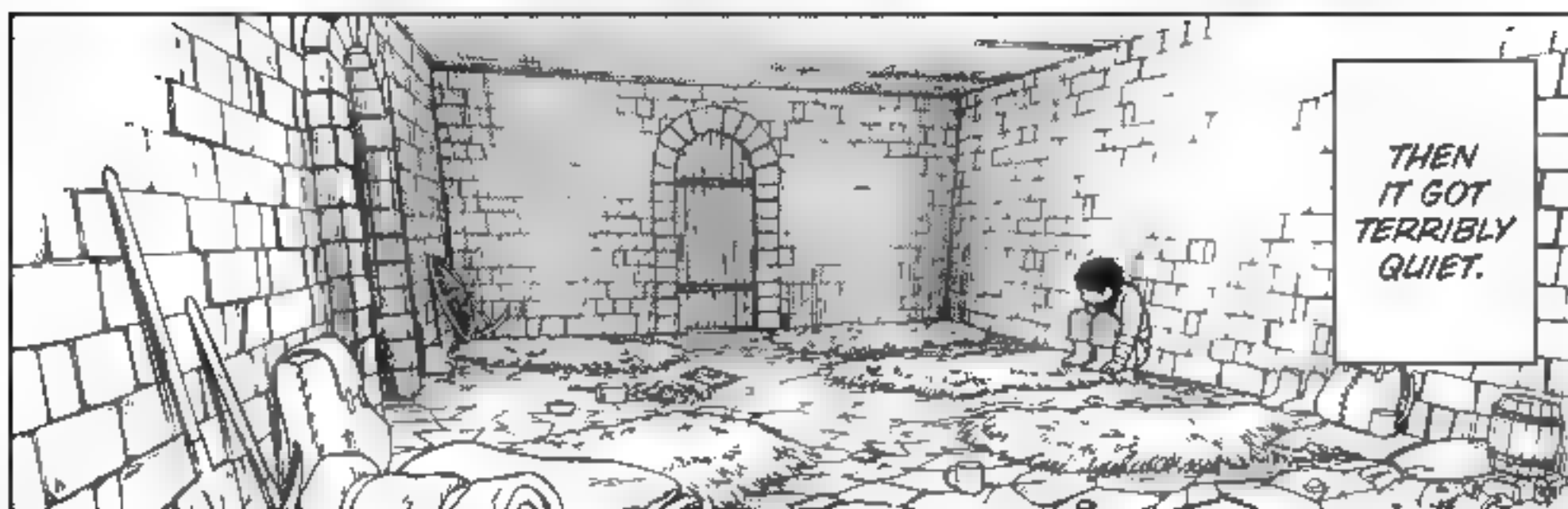
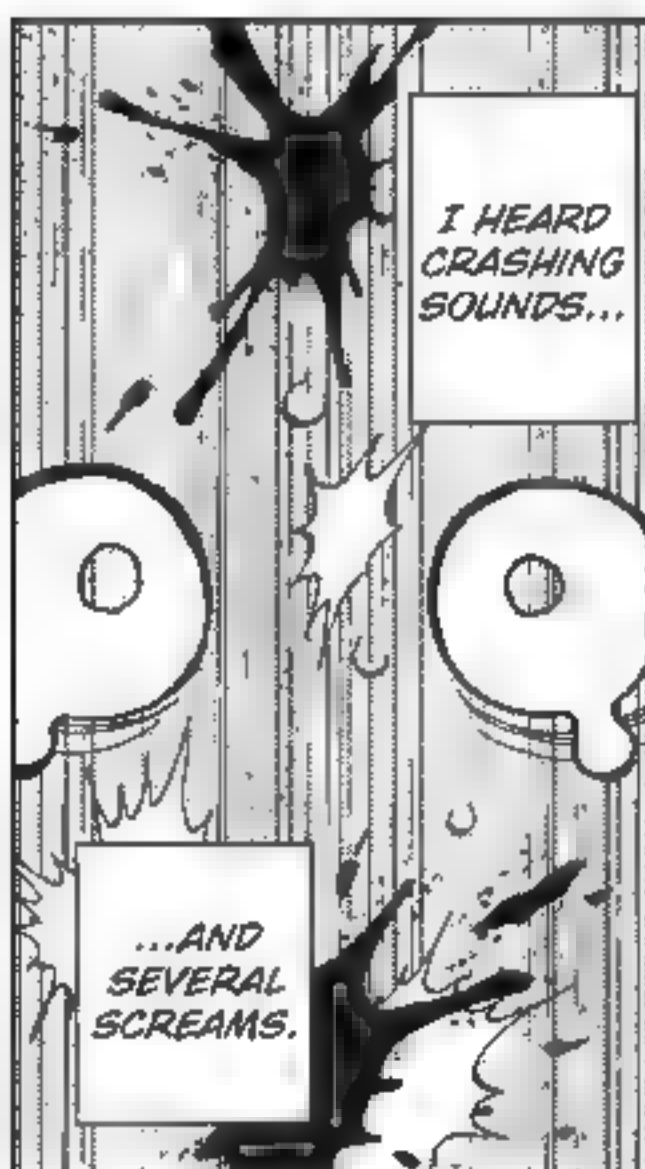


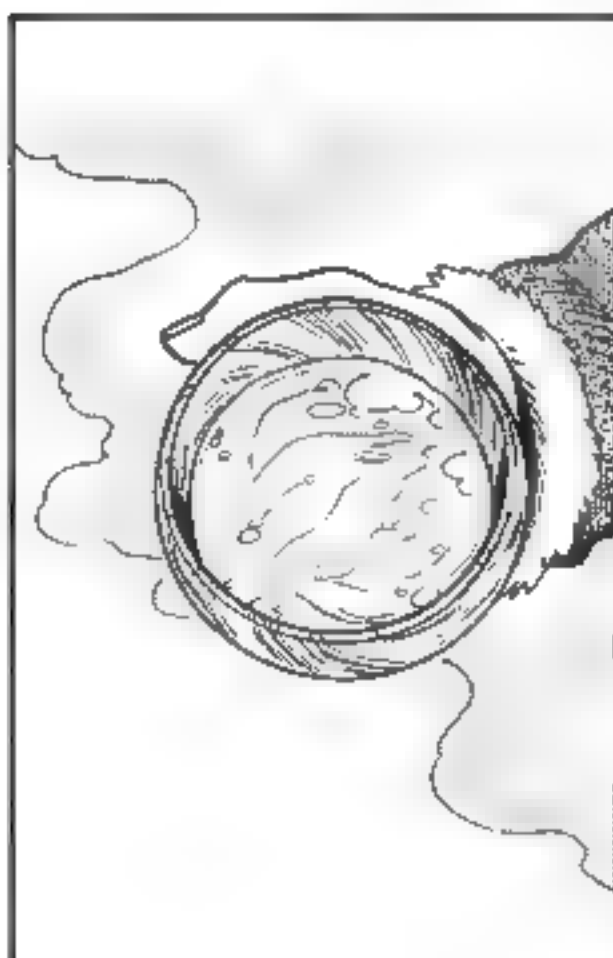














...BUT I
COULDN'T
STOP
EATING IT.

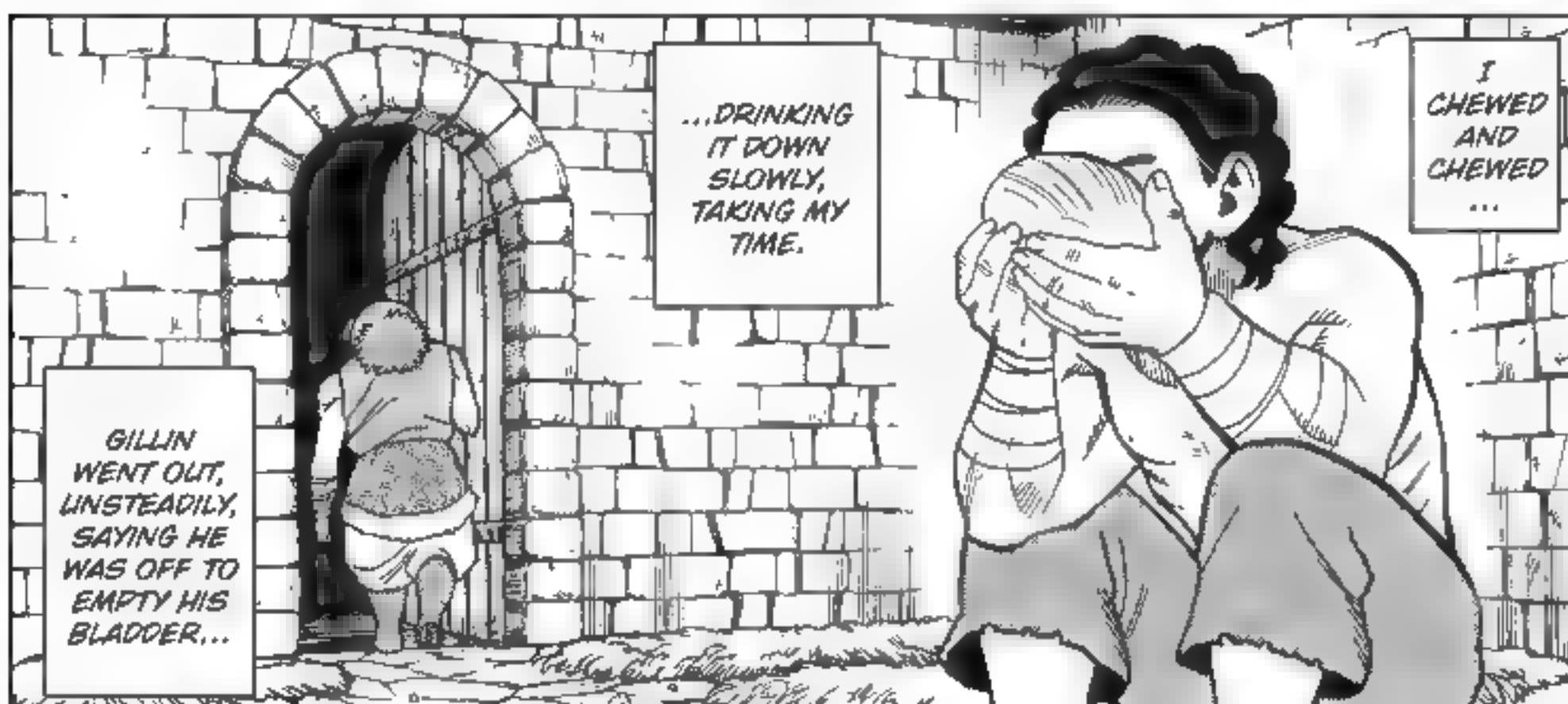


IT SMELLED
GAMY, AND
THE MEAT
WAS TOUGH.
IT TASTED
AWFUL...

ゴクウリ
(GULP)



THE SOUP
WAS JUST
GRIFFIN,
BOILED IN
WATER.



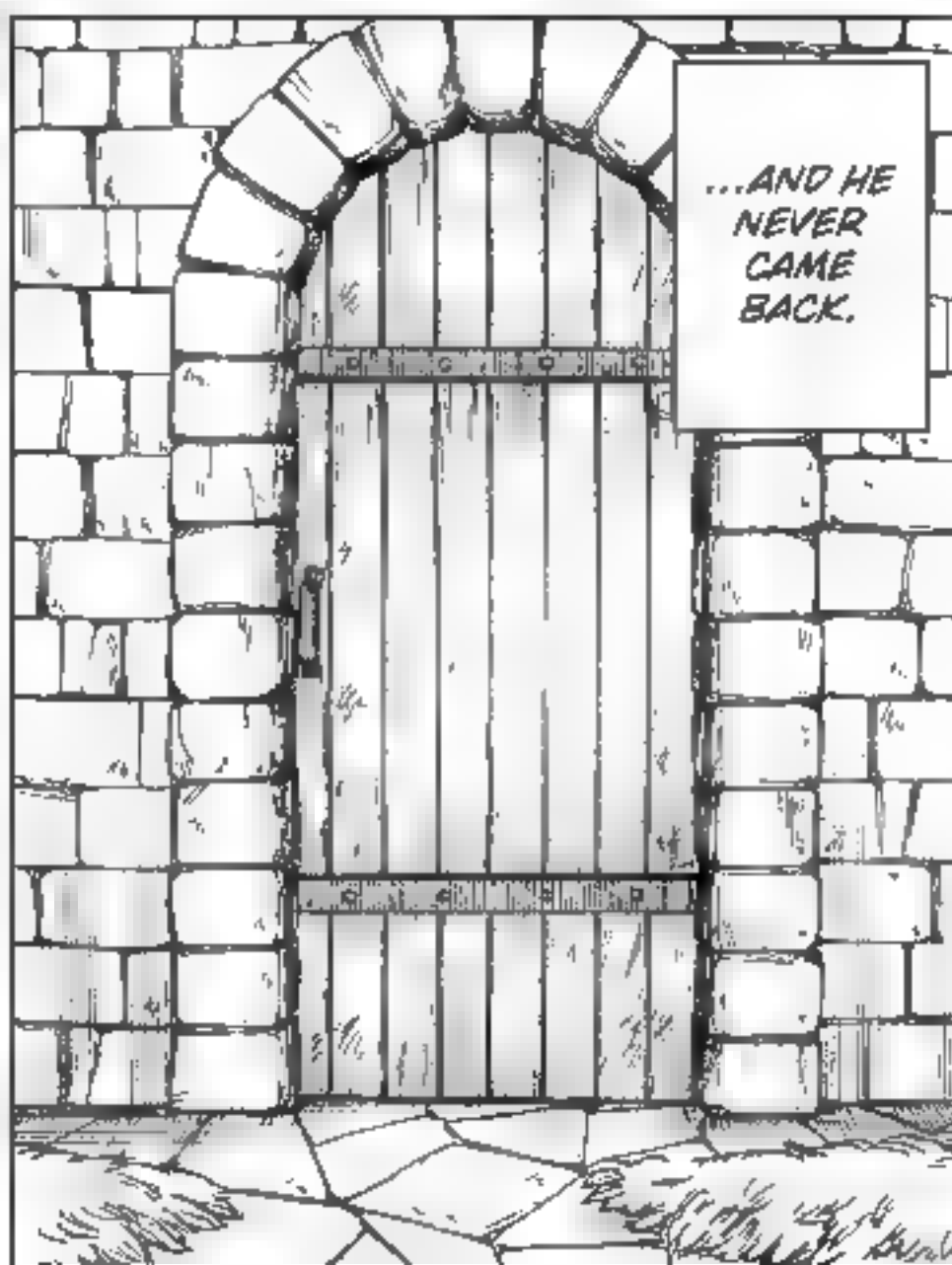
...DRINKING
IT DOWN
SLOWLY,
TAKING MY
TIME.

I
CHEWED
AND
CHEWED
...

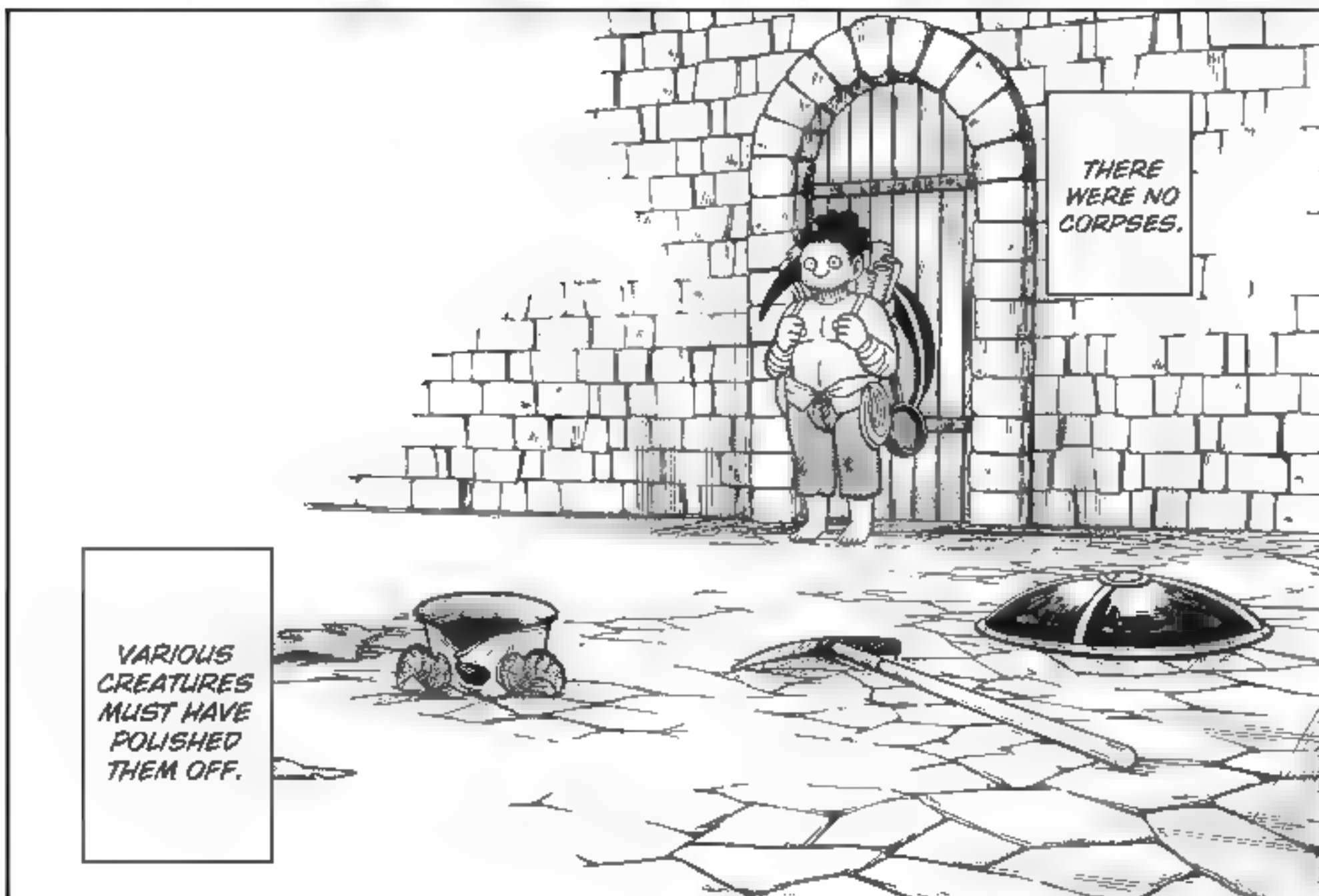
GILLIN
WENT OUT,
UNSTEADILY,
SAYING HE
WAS OFF TO
EMPTY HIS
BLADDER...



I'D BEEN
LEFT ALL
ALONE.

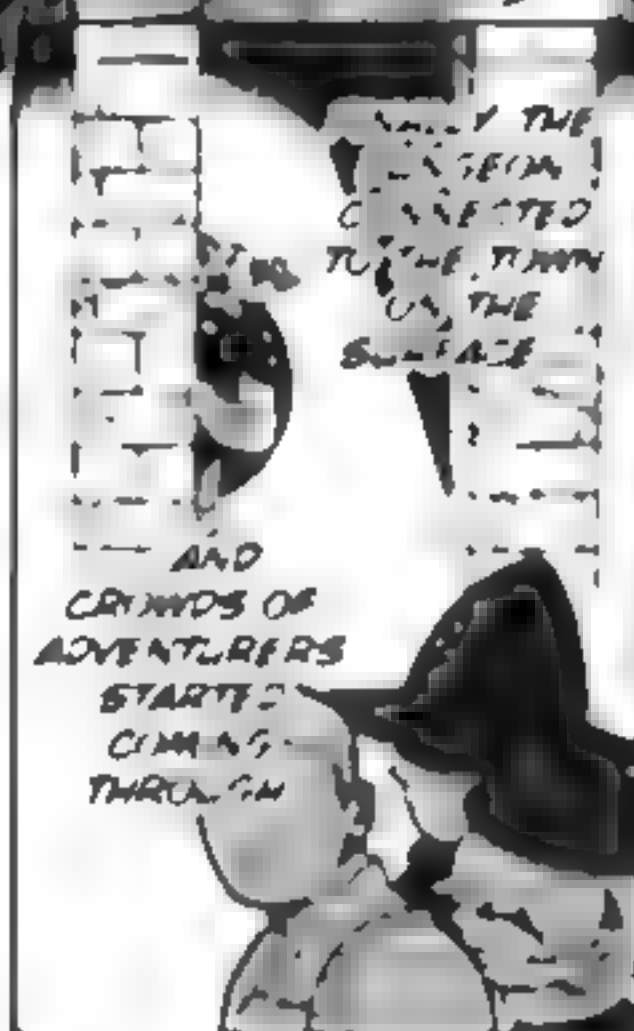


...AND HE
NEVER
CAME
BACK.

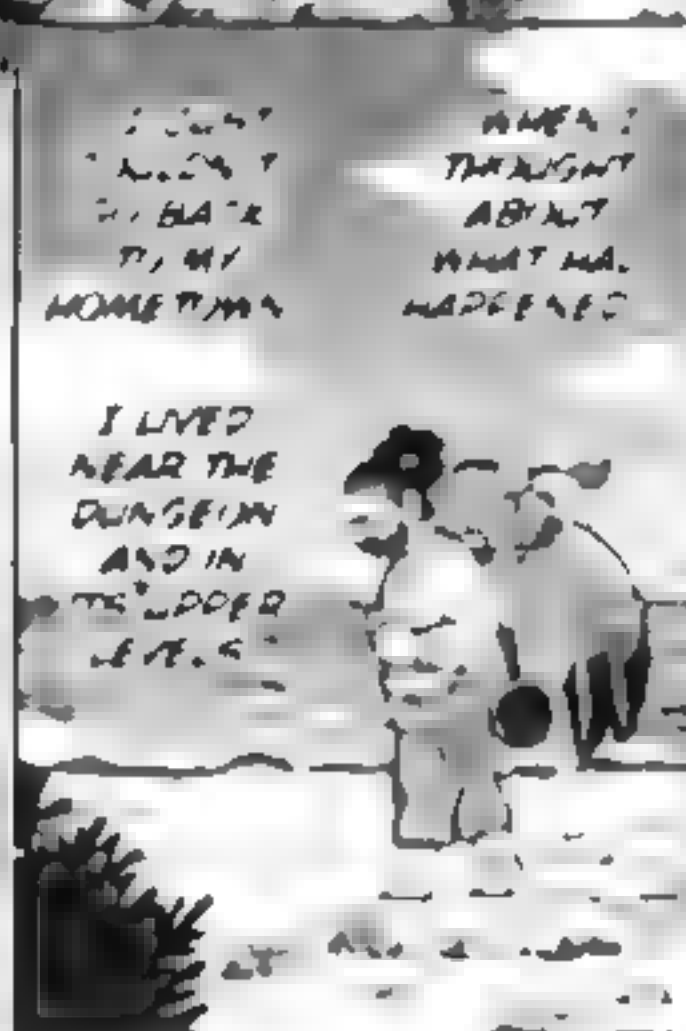




I MADE
IT OUT



AND
CRIMDS OF
ADVENTURERS
STARTED
Climing
THROUGH



I LIVED
NEAR THE
DUNGEON
AND IN
ITS UPPER
LEVELS

WHEN I
THOUGHT
ABOUT
WHAT HAD
HAPPENED







HUH!?



...WANT TO EAT THAT GRIFFIN?

IN THAT CASE...



THE MAN WHO MADE THE SOUP WOULDN'T WANT THAT.

IF THAT RUNS THROUGH YOUR MIND AT EVERY MEAL, YOU'LL MISS OUT.

I MEAN, YOU'RE STILL YOUNG.



WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM?

UH, NO, IT'LL BE A LOT B.GGER.



IF IT'S COMPLETELY DIFFERENT, THEN... THAT'S TOO BAD.

BUT THE KNOT IN YOUR HEART WILL BE GONE.

IF IT TASTES THE SAME, YOU CAN RELAX.



WHAT DO YOU SAY, SENSHI?



SENSHI...



...YOU'RE RIGHT.

I SHOULD PROBABLY EAT IT.



OKAY, IN THAT CASE...

PAN (SMACK)



THE FRONT AND REAR HALVES MAY TASTE TOTALLY DIFFERENT...

...SO WE'LL TAKE FROM BOTH!

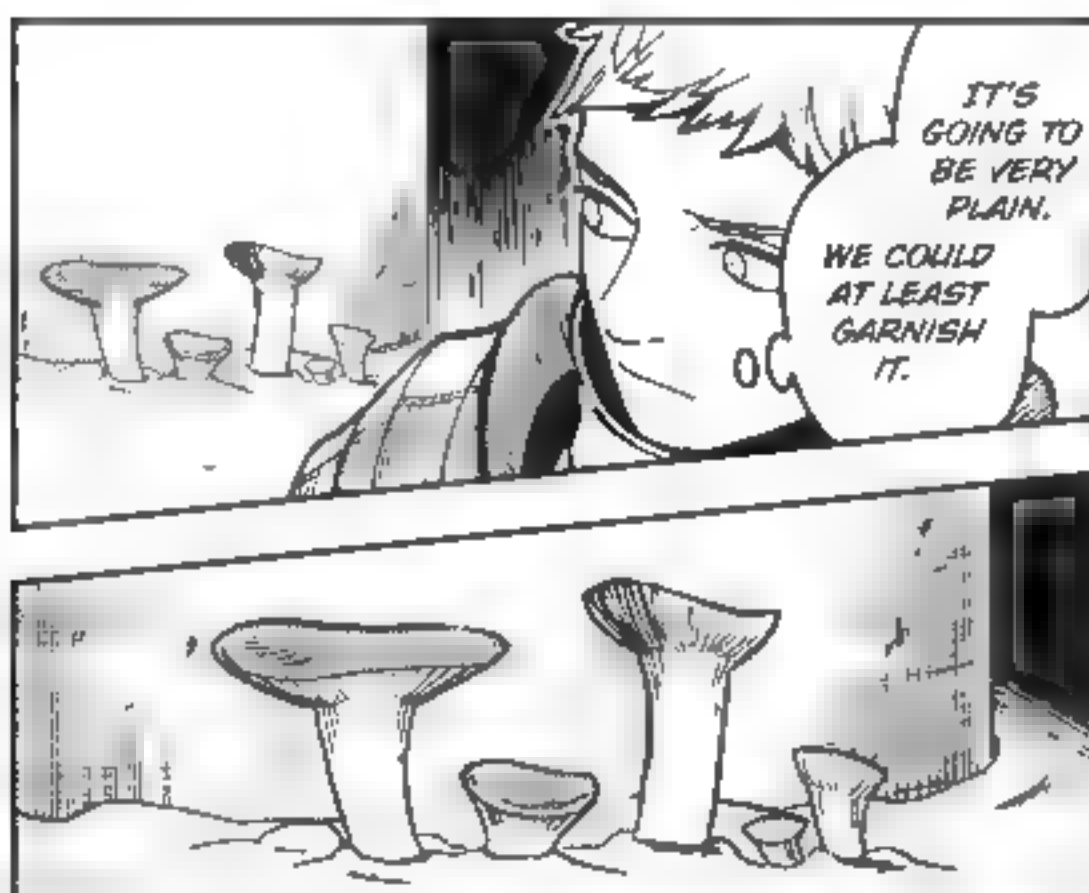
YOU JUST WANT TO EAT IT

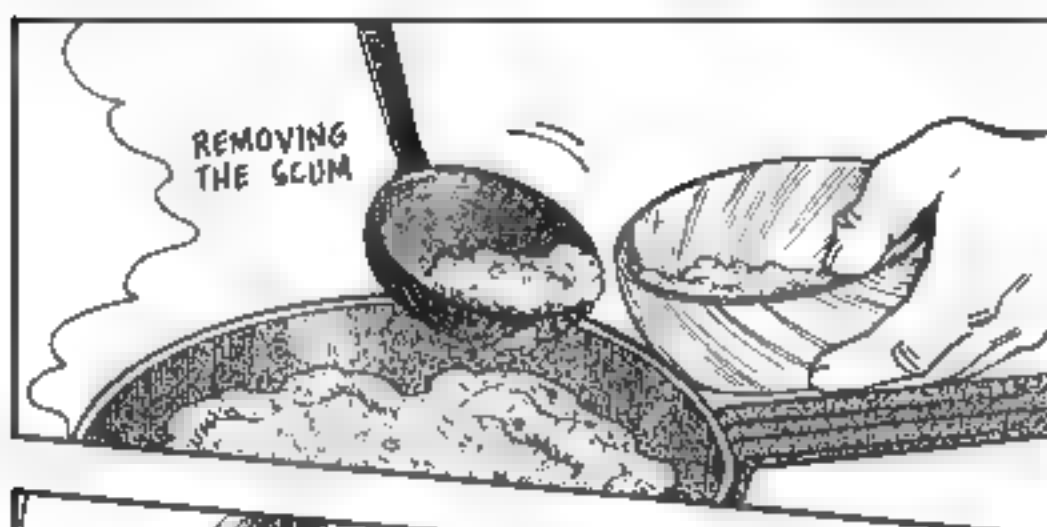
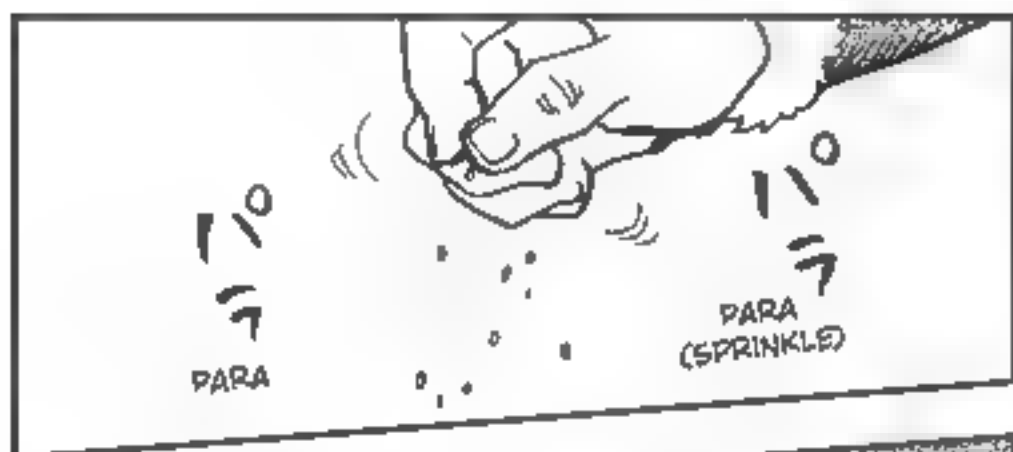
WE'LL JUST CUT THE MEAT OUT WITHOUT DOING MUCH TO IT.

...LET'S RE-CREATE THE ORIGINAL METHOD AS CLOSELY AS WE CAN.









Griffin Soup (Upper Body)

Ingredients

Griffin shoulder roast meat	—1 hunk
Water	—As needed
Salt	—To taste

IT'S DONE.

Griffin Soup (Lower Body)

Ingredients

Griffin thigh meat	—1 hunk
Water	—As needed
Salt	—To taste





HE
MUST'VE
WANTED ME
TO LIVE,
NO MATTER
WHAT.

I'LL
SHOULDER
THAT WISH
...



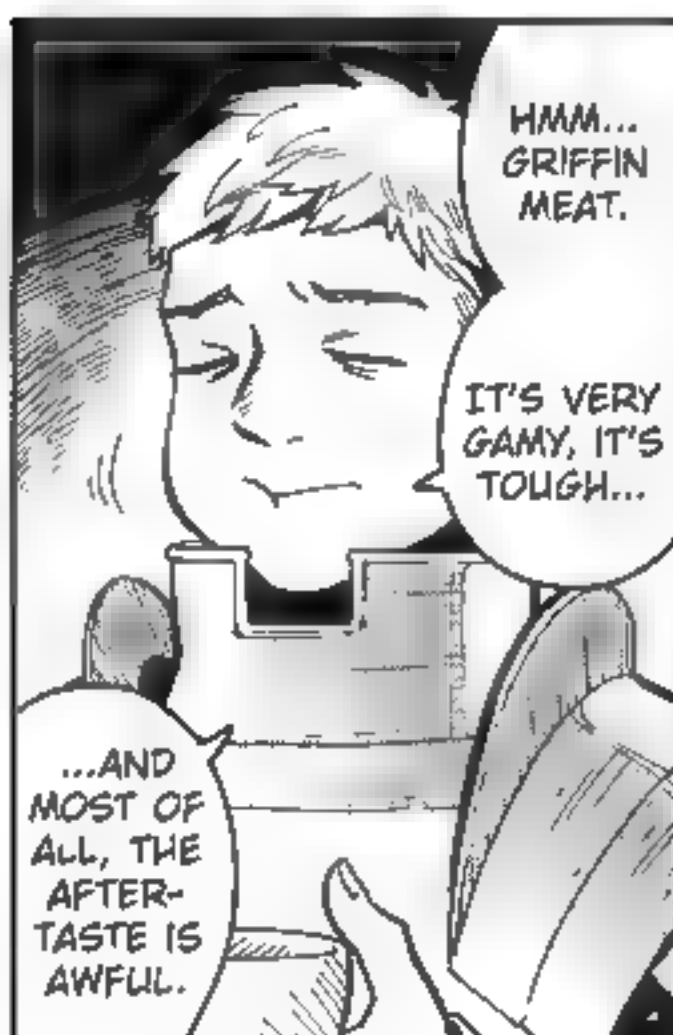
IT'S
ALL
RIGHT.

IT'S A
LOAD
OFF MY
MIND.



HAH...

YOU
MEAN...



HMM...
GRIFFIN
MEAT.

IT'S VERY
GAMY, IT'S
TOUGH...

...AND
MOST OF
ALL, THE
AFTER-
TASTE IS
AWFUL.



WHAT
HAVE
YOU
DONE!?

LAIOS,
YOU
MORON.



AND IT
WASN'T
DWARF
MEAT!

THEY
WERE
ATTACKED
NOT BY A
GRIFFIN,
BUT BY A
HIPPO-
GRIFF.

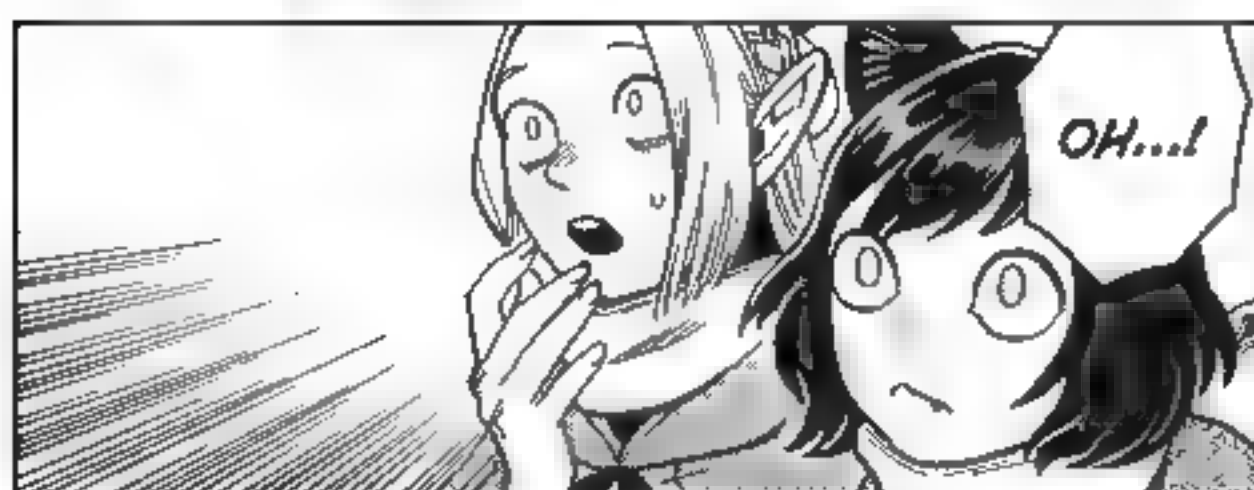
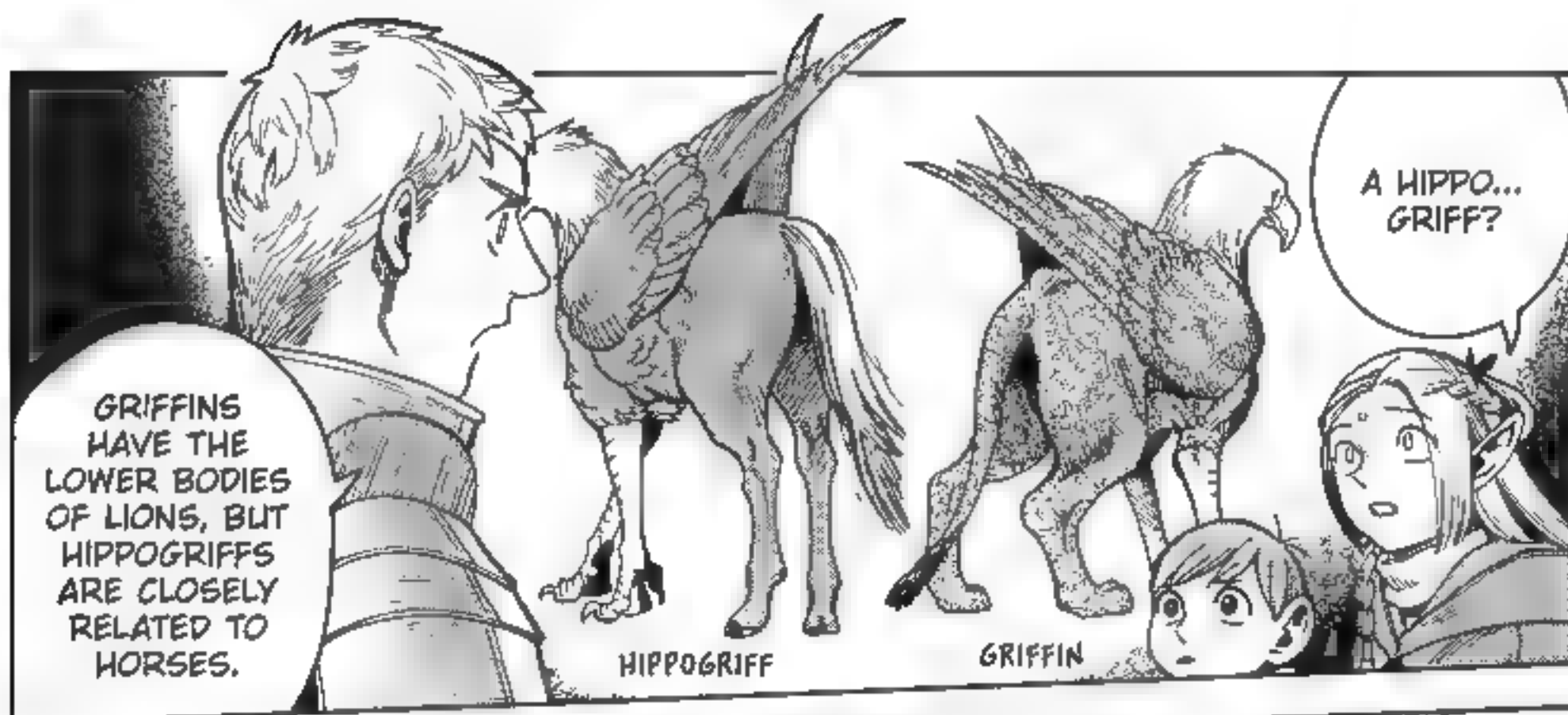


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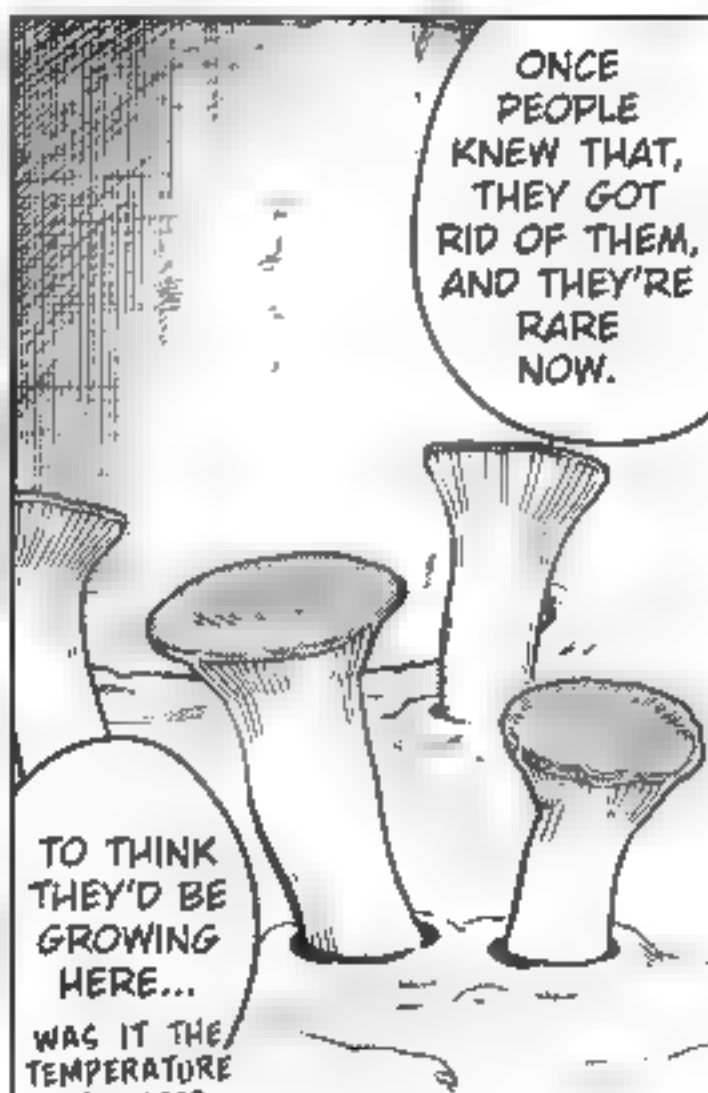
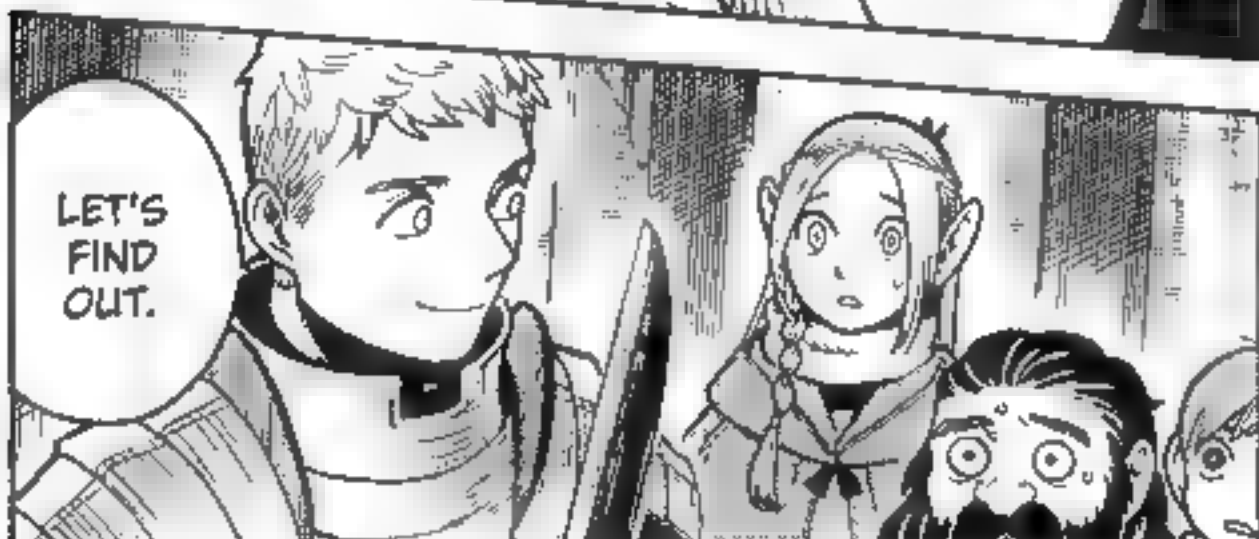
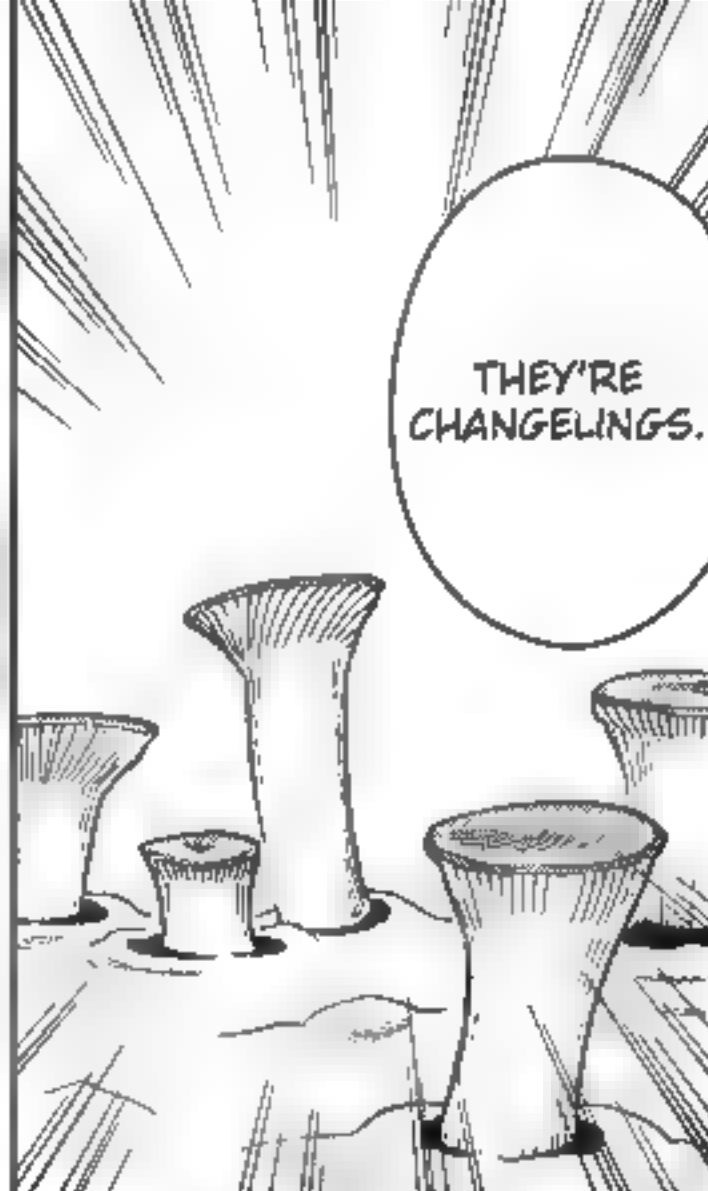
RIGHT.

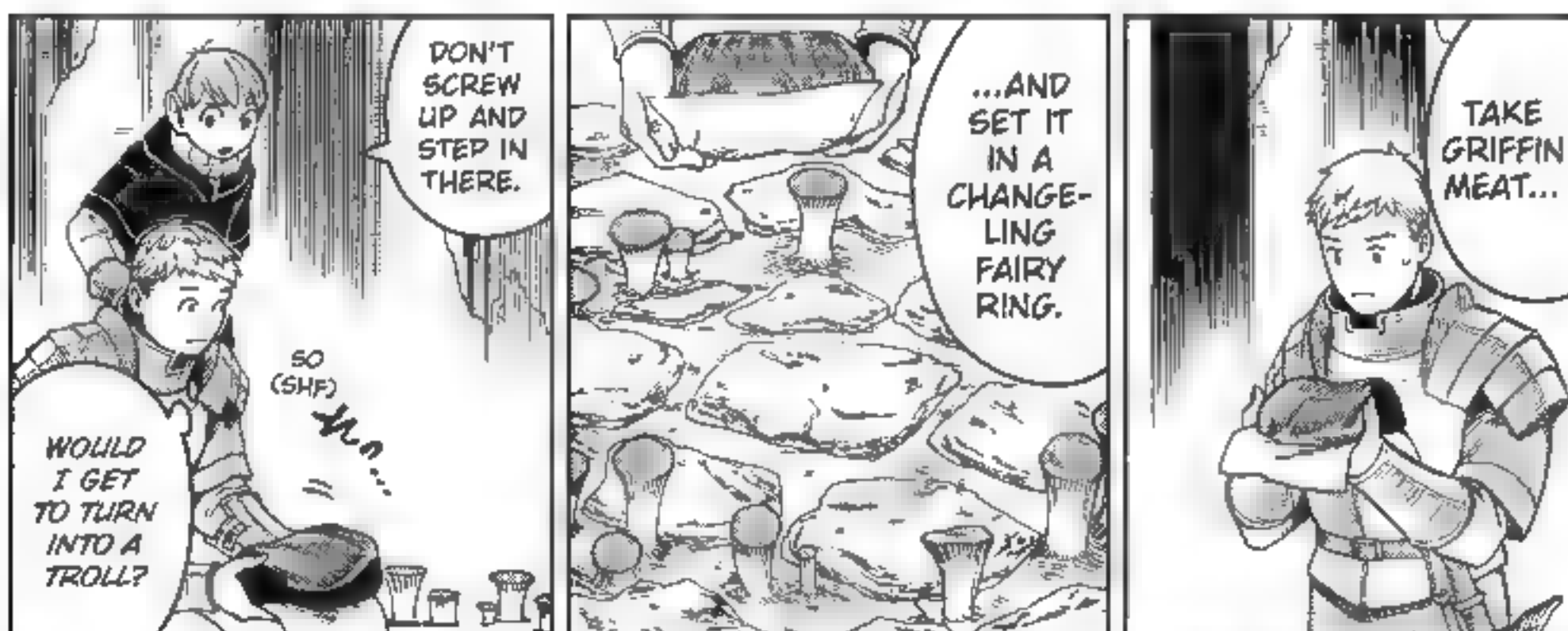
WHAT
SENSHI ATE
BACK THEN
WASN'T
GRIFFIN.

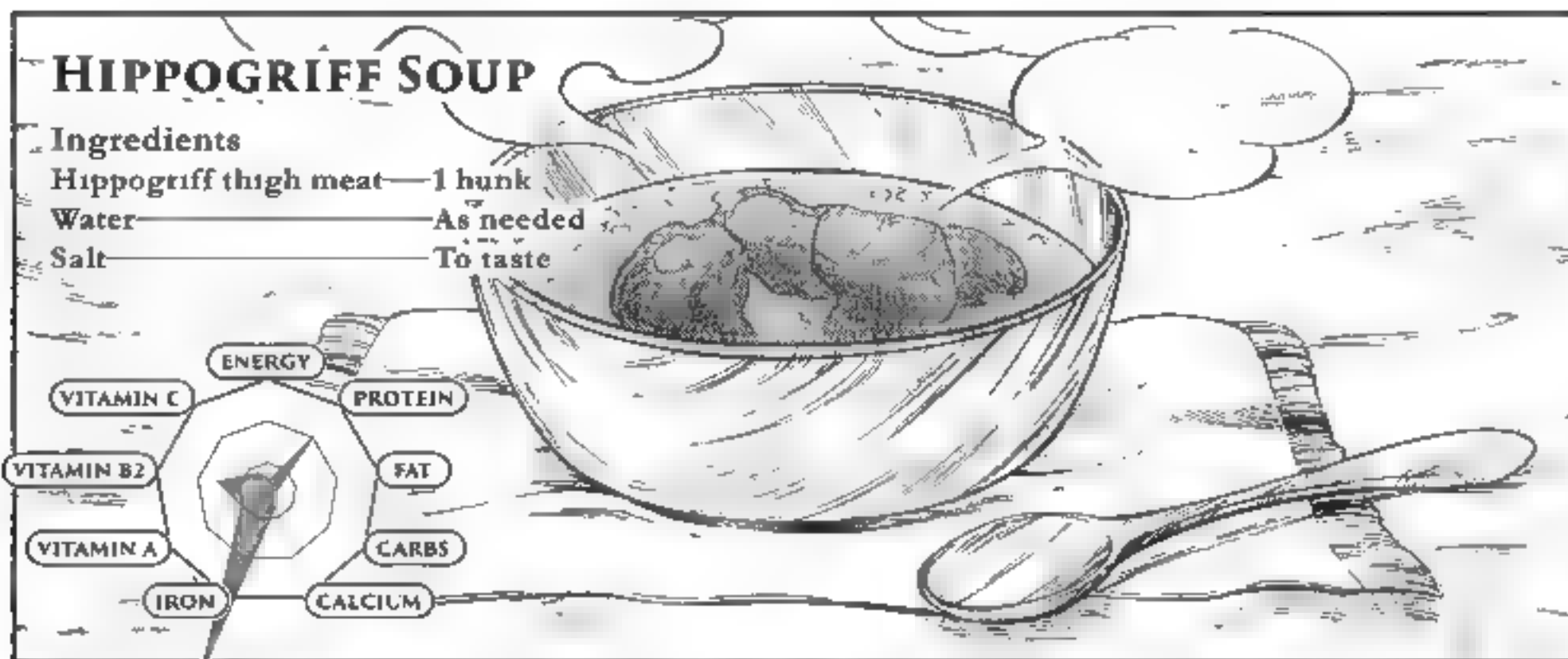




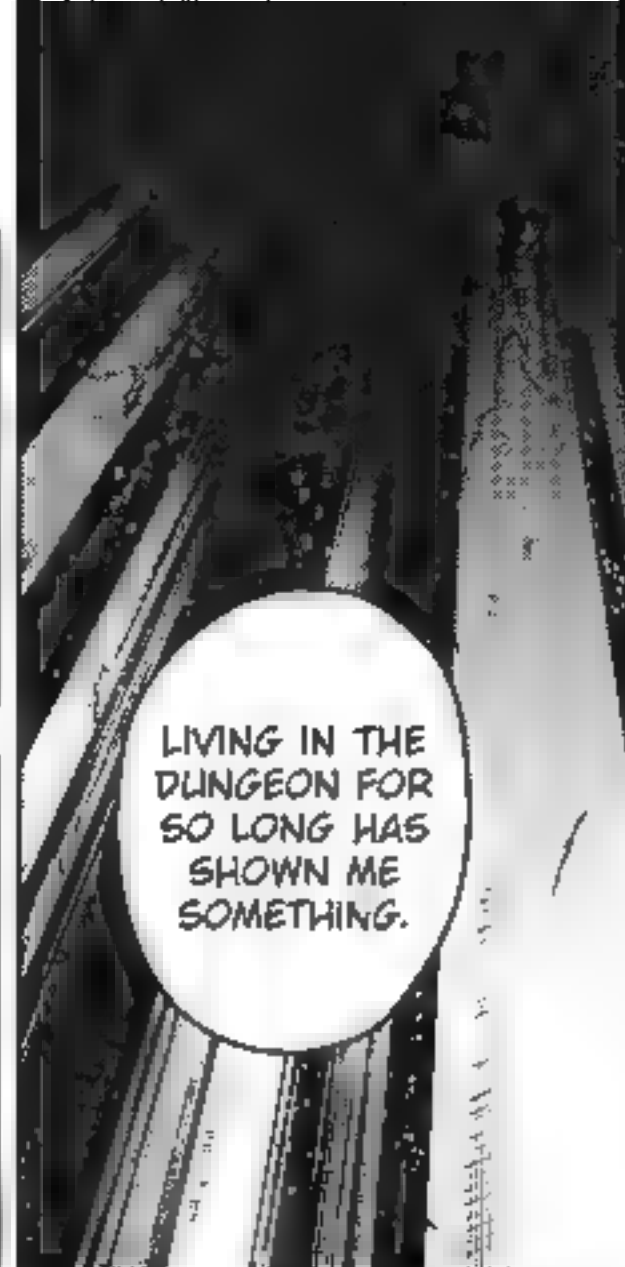






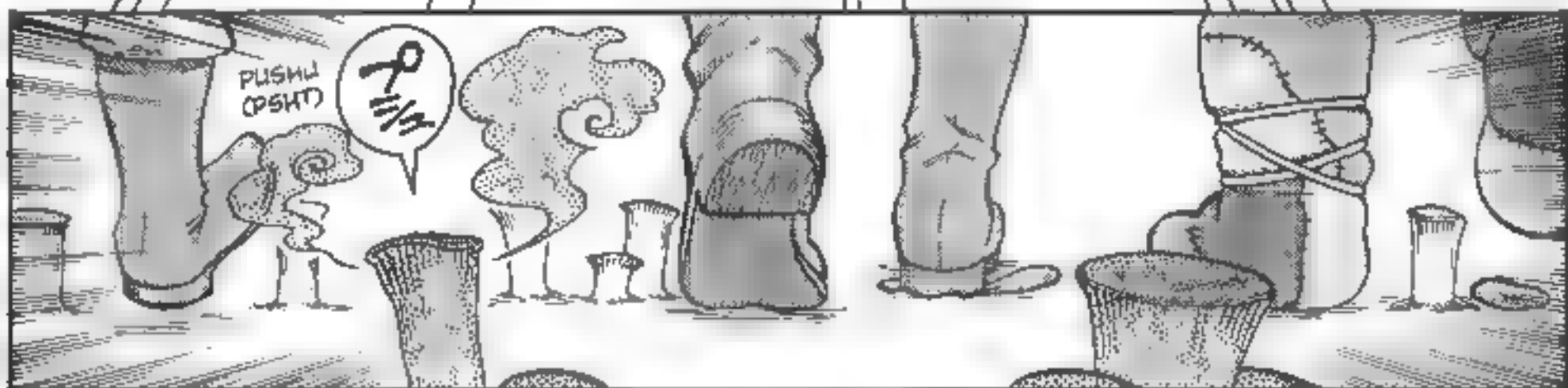








...LET'S
GET
GOING!



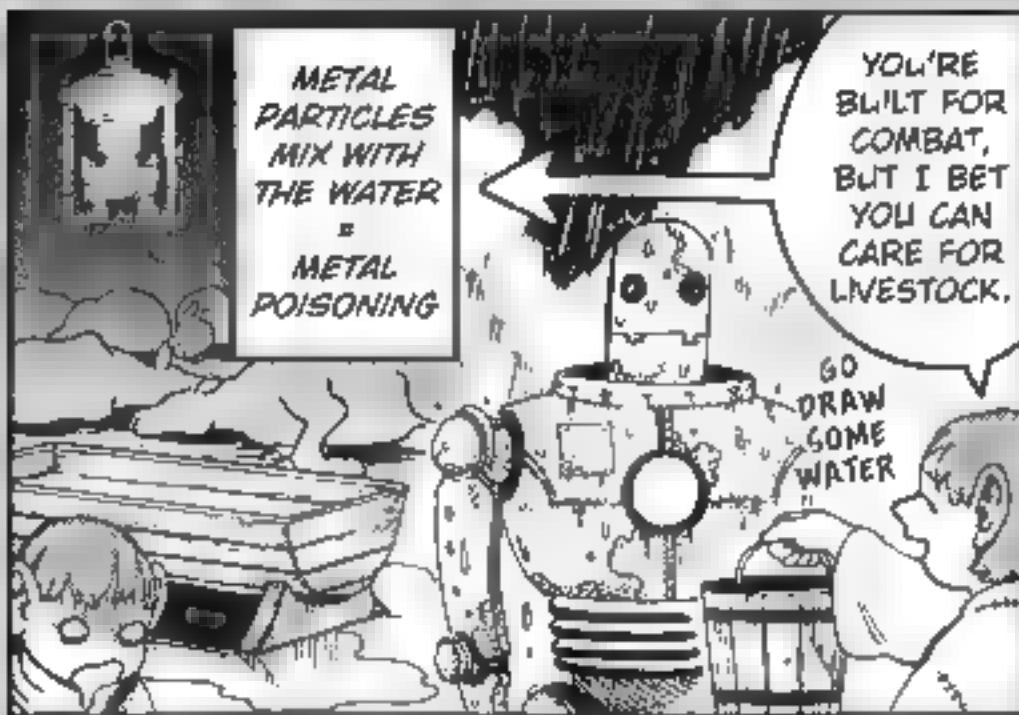
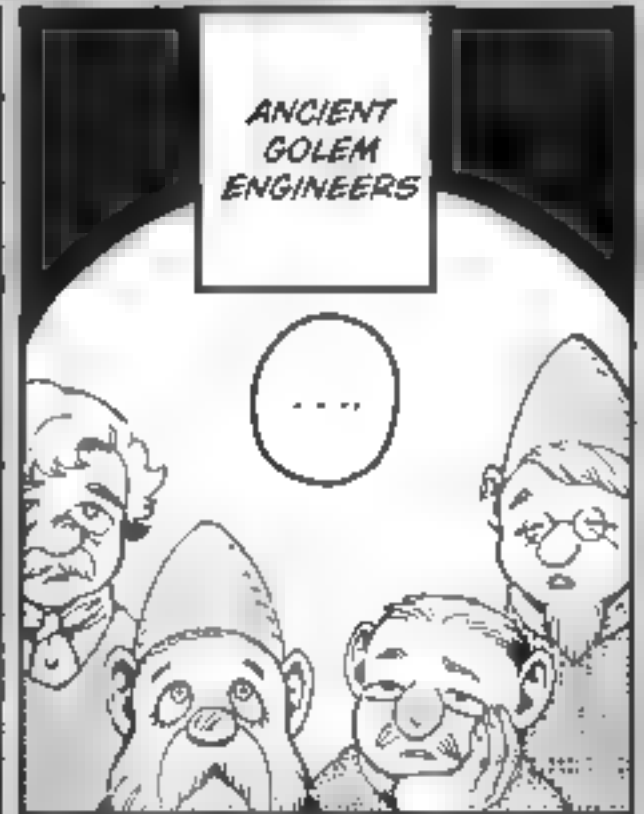
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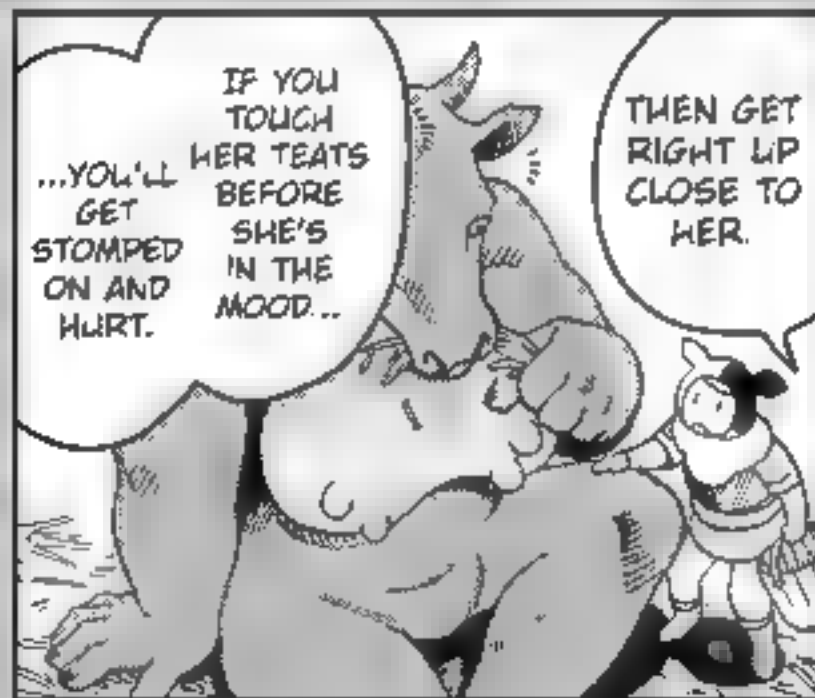
THE SECOND FLOOR GOLEMS WERE ALL PEBBLES TO BEGIN WITH.

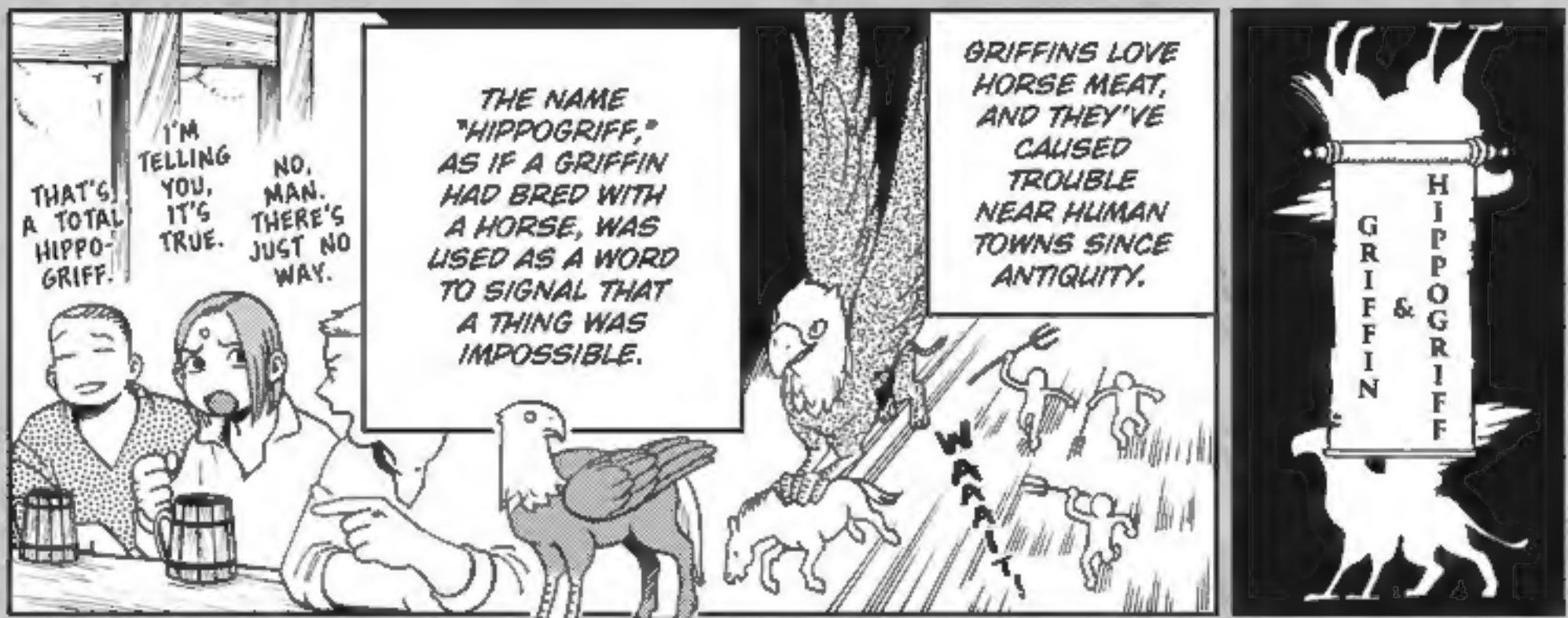


SO GOLEMS MOVE THINGS OTHER THAN DIRT?









TRANSLATION NOTES

Page 37

For several hundred years after Buddhism rose to prominence in Japan, the national diet was primarily vegetarian, and it stayed that way until the early Meiji period. One of the driving factors behind the shift away from meat eating was the belief that people could be reincarnated as animals, meaning anyone who ate animals might well be eating a former human, and it was believed that people who did eat meat would come back as animals in their next life.

Page 54

Balut is a type of street food from the Philippines originally introduced from China in the late 1800s. It consists of fertilized duck or chicken eggs (eggs with partially developed embryos inside) that are boiled in their shells and served—egg, embryo, bones, and all.

Page 59

Note the two dishes of salt by the doorposts. Shinto beliefs hold that salt is spiritually purifying, and setting dishes of salt on either side of a door is thought to create a protective barrier that keeps sickness and evil influences from entering.

The shelf opposite the door is a simple *kamidana*, a household Shinto altar. The papers with writing on them are *ofuda* talismans; if this is an ordinary altar, one will have the name of a local Shinto deity, and the other will be from the shrine where they usually worship. The dishes hold offerings of salt, rice, and water. The plants are branches of *sakaki* (*Cleyera japonica*), a tree that is held to be sacred in Shinto.

Page 154

Marcille technically says “crucified,” but the word can also be used for “impalement” in Japanese, particularly when referring to how a shrike kills its prey by impaling it on sharp thorns and branches. The fact that they aren’t panicking seems to imply that neither of them is taking “impaled” (or “crucified”) completely literally.

Page 205

In folklore, one way to tell whether someone was a changeling, or to get a known changeling to go home and return your loved one, was to throw it on the fire. A human would scream for help; a changeling would fly up the chimney and go back where it had come from, and the human it had replaced would be returned. This should obviously not be attempted in real life, but this belief was actually the driving force behind a notorious murder case in Ireland in 1895, in which the husband of Bridget Cleary set his wife on fire, claiming in his defense that she had been a changeling.

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Hyoutan kara koma, or “A horse from a gourd,” is a Japanese proverb meaning “Sometimes things that sound crazy actually do happen.”

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